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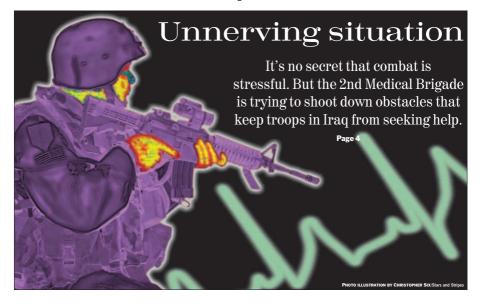
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## World

Madrid bombings: Spanish police found a rental car used by the Madrid train bombers, but much of the evidence was lost after the rental company cleaned the vehicle before police conducted forensics tests, a newspaper reported Sat-

urday.

Police found the car June 13, more than three months after the March 11 Madrid train bombings, in the town of Alcala de Henares, the departure point of three of the four trains bombed, the Madrid daily El Mundo reported, citing unidentified police sources.

Kabul rocket find: NATO peacekeepers discovered a cache of rockets on Saturday close to the Kabul International Airport in

the Afghan capital, a spokesman said.

Forty rockets, 30 fuses and some wiring were found in a concealed store 1.2 miles from the main runway at the airport, said

Cdr. Chris Henderson, a NATO spokesman. French explosives experts from the international force removed the rockets. It was unclear if they were destroyed or handed over to the Afghan military.

Princess Diana memorial: The memorial fountain honoring Princess Diana was to remain closed through the weekend as construction experts try to figure out how to make it safer, London officials said Friday.

The water was turned off Thursday after three people got hurt when they slipped and fell in the Hyde Park fountain. Workers put up a seven foot fence around the fountain and roughened the texture of some of its stones to reduce the risk of slipping.

The parks agency called a meeting of designers, engineers and safety experts to investigate the accidents and consider how to make the fountain safer.

### Business

Enron case: A handwritten memo detailing secret side deals between Enron's former chief accountant Rick Causey and former finance chief Andrew Fastow guarantees Fastow-controlled LJM entities as much as \$50 million from Enron.

The note has led defense lawyers to predict that Causey is under pressure to seek a deal with the government, the Houston Chronicle reported.

The document — called the "global galactic" agreement by prosecutors — seemed a part of Enron folklore until it was cited as an actual written agreement in the indictment of ex-Chairman Ken Lay earlier this month.

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The Chronicle obtained a copy this week of
the memo, which is neatly handwritten and
appears to be initialed on all three pages by
Causey and Fastow.

## States

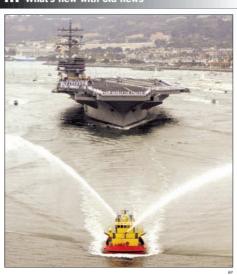
Doctor loses license: A doctor who headed the Presidential Advisory Council on AIDS and HIV during former President Bill Clinton's administration in the 1990s lost his medical license after being arrested for investigation of possessing a controlled substance. Dr. R. Scott Hitt's surrender of his license

became effective Tuesday.
On May 10, Hitt was arrested by Los Ange

On May 10, Hitt was arrested by Los Angeles police for investigation of illegal possession of a controlled substance. The medical board statement did not indicate what the substance was or whether Hitt was ever formally charged.

International space station: The international space station could be expanded beyond its current three crew-member capacity by the end of the decade under an agreement reached Friday by the station's 16 part-

The space station would house a permanent crew of as many as six members as



Newest carrier: The Navy's newest aircraft carrier, the USS Ronald Reagan, has a fireboat salute as she enters San Diego harbor for a home-porting celebration, welcoming the ship to Naval Air Station North Island Friday in Coronado, Calif. The ship was commissioned in July 2003, and is completing a two-month transit around South America to her new homeport.

early as January 2009 under a deal reached at a meeting in Noordwijk, The Netherlands, by the heads of the space agencies involved in the station. The size of the crew depends on the number of Soyuz escape vehicles that can be docked at the space station.

"It's going to have to be some derivative of what a Russian Soyuz vehicle can handle," said Allard Beutel, a NASA spokesman in Washington. Each Soyuz can fit three people.

Fulton Co. sheriff suspended: Georgia's governor suspended the sheriff of the state's largest county only hours after a retired federal prison administrator was sworn in to take over the overcrowded jail.

Gov. Sonny Perdue acted Friday on the recommendation of a three-member panel he appointed to investigate allegations of mismanagement by Fulton County Sheriff Jackie Barrett

The panel, made up of the state attorney general and two sheriffs, said it found reason to believe Barrett violated her duty when she invested \$7.2 million in public money in risky ventures, disregarding customary governmental safeguards. About \$2 million was

Sniper trial: Lawyers for convicted sniper John Allen Muhammad want to bar a prosecutor from putting the killer on trial again because of arguments the prosecutor made during the trial of teenage accomplice Lee Boyd Malvo.

Defense lawyers Peter Greenspun and Jonathan Shapiro said in court filings re-leased Friday that prosecutor Robert F. Horan Jr. made such a strong case that Malvo acted independently of Muhammad that they want Horan as a defense witness.

Calling Horan as a witness creates an inevitable conflict that requires Horan's removal

from the case, the lawyers wrote.

Chicken abuse: Federal compliance officers have been sent to the West Virginia processing plant where workers are accused of torturing chickens before slaughtering them, and a government spokesman said Friday it's unclear how long the investigation will take

Pilgrim's Pride fired 11 of it employees, including several managers, on Wednesday and pledged to hold accountable anyone who knew of the abuse at the plant in Moorefield. The Texas-based company also put quality assurance monitors in place and said it re-educated workers at all its North American plants about humane treatment.

**Alien fish:** A nonnative fish known for its appetite and ability to wriggle short distances on land has been discovered in a Philadelphia waterway, raising concerns about its effects on native species.

An angler caught two Northern snakeheads in a lake last week and contacted the Fish and Boat Commission, which then caught three more snakeheads. The commission said it believes the fish, native to Asia and Africa, are present in other local waterways.

DotComGuy trademark: The attempt by the man formerly known as DotComGuy to sell his trademark name on eBay didn't work. The only bidder failed to meet the \$100,000 minimum bid. The auction began July 13 and ended Friday at 5 p.m.

Mitch Maddox, who legally changed his name to DotComGuy in 1999, had hoped to sell the trademark and related Web site so he and his wife could make a down payment on a house, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reports.

From The Associated Press

## Allawi faces increased kidnapping threats

Egyptian diplomat, top Iraqi businessman taken hostage; Iraq urges Egyptians to stay

BY RAVI NESSMAN The Associated Press

BAGHDAD - Iraqi interim Prime Minister Ivad Allawi urged Egypt on Saturday to stand fast in the face of the kidnapping of one of its diplomats and ignore militants' demand that it abandon any plans to lend security assistance to Iraq.

The crisis, along with the kidnapping Saturday of a top Iraqi businessman, came at an inopportune time for Allawi, who was traveling through the region trying to persuade reluctant Arab and Muslim countries to send troops here to help restore order ne violence-wracked nation.

"It is time for us to close ranks to fight terrorism. There is no way to budge to terrorists and give them what they want," Allawi said in Damascus, Syria. "The only way to deal with terrorism is to promote justice and to close ranks, and we hope Egypt and the Egyptian government will act accordingly

Militants grabbed Mohammed Mamdouh Helmi Qutb, described as the third-highest ranking diplomat at the Egyptian mission here, as he walked out of a mosque Friday. In a video released by "The Lions of Allah Brigade," the militants said they had taken Qutb to deter Egypt from sending troops.

Egyptian Foreign Minister Ahmed Aboul Gheit appealed to the kidnappers Saturday to show mercy and said his government was working quietly to free Outb and an Egyptian truck driver held by other militants.

The kidnapping of a diplomat and Iraqi businessman Raad Adnan indicated that militants. who had previously preyed on truck drivers and other poorly protected foreign workers, were growing bolder and aiming much higher in their efforts to weaken the coalition and sow chaos in

Gunmen snatched Adnan, general director of Al-Mansour Con-



Interim Iraqi Prime Minister Iyad Allawi speaks to reporters at a news conference held jointly with his Syrian counterpart Naji Otari in Damascus on Saturday, following his meeting with Syrian President Bashar Assad in Damascus, Allawi urged Egypt to stay the course on Iraq after an Egyptian diplomat was kidnapped.

tracting Co., in a brazen daylight operation Saturday morning in southeastern Baghdad.

The kidnappers, wearing police uniforms, set up a fake checkpoint in the Zaieuna neighborhood and stopped Adnan's car, taking him and his driver hostage, according to police Sgt. Ahmed Ismael of the Zaieuna police station. His driver was quickly released, Ismael said.

Al-Mansour is a ment-owned construction company that does building work for Irag's ministries. Adnan, a construction engineer, was a member of the Baath party and helped build some of Saddam Hussein's presidential palaces.

The 15-month-old insurgency, punctuated by the kidnappings, almost daily bombings, attacks and sabotage, has badly damaged Irag's efforts to rebuild the coun-

try after years of war and sanc-

On Saturday, gunmen in three cars attacked a convoy carrying west Baghdad's police chief as he passed near the town of Mahmoudiya south of Baghdad. Two bodyguards were killed, but the police chief, Brig. Sabah Fahad, escaped unharmed, said Mahmoudiya hospital director, Dr. Dawoud al-Taie

Attackers in two cars opened fire on a group of policemen at a checkpoint in the al-Shurta district of Baghdad on Saturday, injuring seven policemen, the Interior Ministry said.

A rocket exploded in the downtown Jubairya district in northern city of Samarra killing one man and injuring three other civilians early Saturday, police Maj Sadoun al-Dulaimi said

In volatile Anbar province west

of Baghdad, a U.S. Marine died Saturday of wounds sustained during "security and stability op-erations" Friday, the military

And late Friday, saboteurs set off two explosions on an oil pipeline about 12 miles south of Samarra, police Capt. Khaled Abdul-Amir said Saturday. The pipeline stretches about 124 miles from al-Dora oil refinery in Baghdad to Beiji, north of Samarra. The extent of the damage was

Egypt said earlier this week it would consider sending troops here after Iraqis restored calm but after Qutb's abduction, Aboul Gheit said that "sending troops or Egyptian military personnel to Iraq is not an issue on the table at all for Egypt.

Iraqi officials said Saturday they were working furiously to se cure Outb's release.

## U.S. deaths in Iraq

As of Friday, 899 U.S. service members have died since the beginning of military operations in Iraq in March 2003, according to the Defense Department. Of those, 665 died as a result of hostile action and 234 died of nonhostile causes.

The British military has reported 60 deaths; Italy, 18; Spain, eight; Bulgaria and Poland, six each; Ukraine, four; Slovakia, three; Thailand, two; Denmark, El Salvador, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia and the Netherlands have reported one death each

Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, 761 U.S. servicemembers have died — 556 as a result of hostile action and 205 of nonhostile causes

The latest deaths reported by U.S. Central Command: ■ Two soldiers were killed

Thursday by an explosive attack near Samarra, Iraq. The latest identifications re-

ported by the Department of De-■ No identifications reported

"We will spare no effort to free the Egyptian diplomat," Deputy Foreign Minister Hamed al-Bayati said.

Meanwhile, officials continued to work to free three Kenyans, three Indians and an Egyptian held by a different militant group.

That group, "The Holders of the Black Banners," demanded Wednesday that the truck drivers' company stop doing business in Iraq and their countries withdraw their citizens or it would begin beheading hostages Saturday night.

## 3rd ID gets orders to deploy

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division commander

FORT BENNING, Georigia - The Army's 3rd Infantry Division, which led the

drive to Baghdad during the Iraq war, an nounced Friday that it has received orders to return for at least a year to fight insurgents and help the Iragis establish their own government.

Col. Steven L. Salazar, a brigade commander, said the latest deployment could hegin hetween November and February. "The deployment is

part of a planned rotation of forces," Maj. Gen. William Webster, the division's commander, said in a April 2003.

statement. "We expect to be deployed for approximately one year. However, there are no guarantees. The situation on the ground and the needs of the theater commander will ultimately

determine their length of our deployment."

Two of the division's brigades are at Fort Stewart and a third is across the state at Fort Benning. The division's aviation brigade is at Hunter Army Air Field in Savannah.

Following a reorganization after the war, the division now has about 19,000 soldiers. up from 16,000 when the division led the charge to Baghdad in

## Hundreds attend funeral for Iraqis killed in van-tank crash

## U.S. military launches investigation into the accident

BAGHDAD - About 500 people attended the funeral Saturday of eight members of an Iraqi family who were killed when the minibus that was bringing them back from a wedding party collided with a U.S.

Seven Iraqi flag-draped coffins - including one containing two children — were brought on car rooftops to a mosque in the poor northern Baghdad neighborhood of Hurriyah.

Narrow alleyways in the dusty residential area were crammed with people who followed the procession to the mosque for a prayer service.

The U.S. military has launched an inves-

tigation into Thursday night's accident in northern Baghdad between the tank and the minibus, which was carrying revelers back to Baghdad from a wedding. Nine Ira-

gis were killed and 10 others injured in the accident, according to the military It was unclear where the ninth victim was buried.

There were no U.S. casualties, the military said.

Multinational forces also were investigating another fatal crash that occurred Friday between an armored vehicle belonging to forces from the Republic of Georgia and a car carrying Iraqis in Baqouba, a city north of Baghdad.

The U.S. military and Iraqi police said two Iragis died in the accident and two girls, aged 12 and five, were injured.

## In Iraq, confronting 'the silent enemy'

## Mental health pros say biggest challenge in treating stress is getting soldiers to ask for help

BY RICK EMERT Stars and Strings

BAGHDAD he 2nd Medical Brigade, which oversees nearly all medical operations in Iraq, is chipping away at the barrier that keeps soldiers from seeking treatment for combat stress

It's a fight Army social workers, psychologists and psychia-trists have been waging since post-traumatic stress disorder came into the spotlight following the Vietnam War.

recent post-deployment screening conducted by the U.S. military showed that more than 50 percent of servicemembers were reluctant to seek treatment for combat stress because they feared it would affect their ca reers or future promotions

But mem bers of the brigade's Mental Health Sec tion and the 785th Combat Stress Companv sav nearly all cases that are treated never even go into a soldier's medical file

let alone his





personnel record. "We don't upload their file to the promotion board to be looked said Maj. Geoffrey Grammer, medical director for the 785th Combat Stress Company in Baghdad. "We're not going to destroy careers. [Information] is kept in our files, but it is confidential. It does not go into their personnel

Of course, commanders and even peers may know that a soldier was treated for combat stress.

"Yeah, commanders know," said Col. Bob Evans, senior clinician for the 785th Comhat Stress Company, "A lot of them are appreciative of what we can do to help their soldiers. They become proud of the soldier's achievements More than 95 percent of all sol-

diers treated for combat stress, which includes stress caused by family problems or even fatigue return to duty in a matter of days. "[The commanders] see some

body whose performance has suddenly gone way up, and say: 'Wow, you really fixed this guy,' Evans said.

In most cases, like that of Staff Sgt. Richard Williams, a mainte-nance section chief from the 1st Cavalry Division, the soldier is returned to the same position he held before treatment

Only in rare cases where a soldier poses a threat to himself or others would he be placed in a different section or status, such as under suicide watch or deemed unable to carry a weapon, Evans

There are two to five reported suicides each month in Iraq, Grammer said. According to an Army report released in March, 24 soldiers deployed to Kuwait and Iraq committed suicide in 2003 — a rate of 17.3 per 100,000 The overall Army suicide rate during the same time period was 12.8 per 100,000 soldiers.

Williams was suffering from anxiety attacks, a condition he had before he deployed to Iraq.

"I had experienced this before but dealt with it," Williams said. "It was becoming difficult to concentrate. I became aware that my work performance was suffer-

ing."
Williams first talked to a chaplain, who suggested he try medication. He went to a nearby medical clinic and was

put on the wrong type of medication. After spending a night at the 785th Combat Stress Company's fit-



Williams was able to return

The fitness center refers more to mental fitness than physical Soldiers spend up to five days at the center for treatment and follow a scheduled routine of physical training, chores and relax-ation in a less intense environ-

Williams admitted the first step to recovery was a big one.

"It was easy to preach to my soldiers that they can get help, but it was not so easy taking my own advice." Williams said, "I was being a tremendous hypocrite. I had told my soldiers that it was nothing to be ashamed of or embarrassed by.

Returning to his unit after treatment was awkward, but Williams said he quickly got back into the swing of things

"People looked at me funny for a day or two," he said. "I went up to each of my soldiers individual ly and explained my situation. It actually brought the team closer together. We're still a maintenance team, but we're also a support group. We're able to talk to one another about these issues that everybody here has

Williams is one of many success stories of the mental health staffs throughout the theater But other would-be successes are not coming forward with their problems. The 2nd Medical Brigade and combat stress companies are trying to change that by reaching out to the soldiers.

In an average 72-hour period, combat stress staffs throughout



Soldiers search for weapons caches in Mosul, Iraq. The Army has sent a team of medical workers to Iraq to help soldiers fight combat stress. The combat stress teams are hoping that soldiers will become more willing to seek help if they need it.

## Site eases access to combat stress help

Help 4 phone numbers

reached at www.mnf-irag.com/

2ndmed/index.htm. For those

who don't have access to the In-

ternet, the following phone lines

Northern Iraq: DNVT 302-553-9525

Central Irag:

Southern Iraq

DNVT 302-558-5546

DNVT 318-822-1322

are manned 24 hours a day:

The Help 4 Web site can be

BAGHDAD - Soldiers in Iraq can now find help to deal with combat stress in a matter of minutes, if they have access to the Internet.

The 2nd Medical Brigade's Mental Health Section created the Help 4 Web site so soldiers in even the most remote locations can get phone numbers for combat stress profession

The site, at www.mnf-iraq. com/2ndmed/index.htm, w a project three months in the

als

making.
While the site has links to chaplains and sexual-assault victims' assistance, the most important tool to soldiers may

be the Help 4 You map. A soldier can click any-where on the map, and a page comes up with phone numbers to the closest combat stress teams to that location.

"A combat stress [professional] answers and will say. for example, 'We're half a mile

away from you; you can come to us or we'll come to you,' " said Capt. Jeffrey Greenlinger, a social worker with the Mental Health Section.

"A soldier can talk about whatever, and that [combat stress] person makes the decision whether they need treatment or just need to talk," said Maj. Ronald Glaus, mental health psychologist.

The Web site allows soldiers to contact combat

stress professionals anonymously.

'They don't have to let the commander know; they can walk in." Glaus said. "They have the opportunity to do that. However, most of the soldiers treated for com-

bat stress, before the Web site was created, were referred by their commanders.

said Col. Mike Warvarovsky, the section's psychiatrist.

"We don't want to bypass the chain of command," varovsky said.

We want to empower them and make them more effec-

Most of the site design was done by Sgt. 1st Class James McLeod, the section's senior noncommissioned officer.

"My biggest thing was to make it as simple as possible so that we don't lose focus on what we're trying to do with it," McLeod said The site also includes links to

mental health articles and testimonials from soldiers who have received treatment for stress to encourage other soldiers to come forward if they need help.

"I don't want to hear a year from now that soldiers are going home and saying: 'Yeah, I had problems in Iraq, but I didn't know where to go to get help," Glaus said.

- Rick Emert

Iraq will conduct about 180 walkabouts, where they meet with about 700 soldiers and talk to them as a preventive measure That does not mean the staff treats that many soldiers, only that it speaks to them to get a feel for how things are going.

"We get out there to make ourselves more approachable." Grammer said "If the soldiers know us by name and face they are more likely to come by and talk to us. The biggest focus for us is seeing the people at all.'

The staff members see about 88 command referrals during a typical 72-hour period, according to Capt, Jeffrey Greenlinger, a so cial worker with the medical brigade's Mental Health Section Those are cases in which soldiers are referred for treatment by their commanders.

The staff also conducts classes on combat stress symptoms and relaxation techniques during that time. Greenlinger added.

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## Stress: Staff works to get help to troops who need it

A group of 12 mental health professionals visit-ed the theater last year and identified ways to improve the

situation here. Among them was bringing in the 1908th and 1835th Combat Stress detach about 60 mental health profes sionals to the 60 from the 785th already in Iraq The 2nd Med-

ical Brigade

also created the Help 4 Web site, at www.mnf-iraq. com/2ndmed/index.htm. to link soldiers up with the nearest mental

health resources available to

The combat stress staffs have spent months talking to com-Signs and symptoms of combat or

operational stress:

■ Inability to sleen

■ Loss of appetite

■ Distant, haunted stare

■ Irritability ■ Fatigue

■ Depression

■ Anxiety

■ Jumpines

manders, platoon sergeants section chiefs about getting soldiers the treatment they

need. Apparently, the word is getting out to the troops, like Sgt. Joseph Alonso, 478th Civil Affairs Battalion,

Loss of confidence and Spc. Christo-Source: 2nd Medical Brigade pher Sebren. 1-244th mand Aviation Rattalion from the Louisiana Na-

tional Guard

"I haven't gone through combat

pretty good," Alonso said.

"The [rest and recuneration] trips help, and the unit takes pretty good care of us." But, Alonso added, he knows

how to get help if he needs it. "The command keeps us pretty well informed of numbers we can

call for help," he said. Sehren said he has experienced stress during events such as mor-

tar attacks, but it subsides "After a few minutes it hits you what really just happened, but you try not to think about it too much he said, adding that he

would seek treatment if he felt the need, and that he was aware of whom to contact for help "It's no problem to find help here," he said.

Mental health staff members go out to even the most remote "We go in and develop relation-

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Mai. David Rabb

Commander, 785th Combat Stress Company

ships with the soldiers," said Maj. David Rabb, 785th Combat Stress Company commander. "Stress is the silent enemy that can take people down. It's important that people do not isolate themselves.

"It is like PMCS [a system of E-mail Rick Emert at: emertr@mail.estripes.osd.mil maintenance checks performed

on Army vehicles] for soldiers," Evans said. "You can't run a Humvee all day long and expect it to keep going. Likewise, you can't run a soldier 12 hours a day for seven days a week and expect him to hold up.

## Russia still refuses troops

MOSCOW - Iraqi Foreign Minister Hoshyar Zebari said on Saturday that Raghdad would like to have Russian neacekeepers, but the Kremlin restated its refusal to become involved in the messy con-

"We need Russian peacekeepers," Zebari said, according to the Interfax news

But Russia's Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov said Moscow had no intention of be coming involved. "This issue wasn't looked into," Lavrov said at a news conference. There are no such plans

Lavrov said that Russia was willing to contribute to by considering a restructuring of its multibillion dollar debt through the Paris Club of creditor nations and offering economic assistance and personnel

## Jordon OKs S. Korea troops

SEOUL, South Korea - Jordan's King Abdullah II supported South Korea's plans to send 3,000 troops to Iraq in talks Saturday with South Korean President Roh stationed in the country's south. Moo-hyun, officials said

The king arrived in Seoul earlier Saturday for a three-day trip aimed at boosting economic and other ties. After the summit the two governments signed treaties to protect investment and avoid double taxation.

"President Roh thanked the king for reconfirming his support for our government plans to send troops to Iraq," Roh's office said in a statement.

South Korea plans to dispatch 3,000 troops to the town of Irbil in northern Iraq next month, joining 600 troops currently

## Powell travel includes Mideast

WASHINGTON - Secretary of State Colin Powell plans visits to Hungary, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Poland next week. In the Middle East, Powell will discuss the situation in Iraq, cooperation in the war on terror and the opportunities created by the proposed Israeli withdrawal from Gaza, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said



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## **GI** awarded Silver Star for role in Iraq fight

## Staff sergeant honored for gallantry under fire on Baqouba mission

Stars and Stripes

BAGHDAD - A 1st Infantry Division soldier was awarded the Silver Star Medal in a ceremony last week at Forward Operating Base Gabe in Bagouba, Irag.

Staff Sgt. Raymond Bittinger, an infantryman from the 2nd Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment who is attached to 1st Battalion, 6th Field Artillery Regiment, received the award July 19 from the 1st Infantry Division commander, Maj. Gen. John R.S. Batiste.

Bittinger earned the award, given for gallantry against enemy forces, for his actions during a mission to secure the governor's mansion April 9 in Baqouba and Behriz.

When Bittinger's Bradley Fighting Vehicle, along with several other Bradleys, were given the order to break contact with the enemy, Bittinger's Bradley provided cover while other vehicles moved safely out of the area.

His Bradley was fired upon by three rocket-propelled grenades one of which directly hit the vehicle and killed its gunner. Spc Allen Vandayburg.

The multiple blasts knocked the driver, Spc. Daniel Plata, then a private first class, unconscious and stunned Bittinger, according to a description of the events provided by Bittinger's unit. Bittinger continued to fight and move out of the area to get Vandayburg medical attention

"[Vandayburg] fell over, and I realized he was hit," Bittinger said. "He was bleeding from his side and I didn't want to move him because I thought it might be a back injury. I hoped he was just



Col. Dana J.H. Pittard, 3rd Brigade Combat Team commander, salutes Staff Sgt. Raymond Bittinger, of the 2nd Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, at Forward Operating Base Gabe near Bagouba, Irag, last week, Bittinger was awarded the Silver Star Medal for gallantry against enemy forces during a mission April 9.

Bittinger said he learned later from the medical staff at Forward Operating Base Warhorse that Vandayburg had probably died in-

stantly in the explosion. That evening, Bittinger's received orders to engage insurgents in the center of Baqouba. He didn't hesitate.

"I'm an infantryman," he said. "I still had a mission to accom-

The soldiers in his unit were hit hard by Vandayburg's death,

"The guys were bent over; they were crying," Bittinger said. "They were very upset." Still, Bittinger called for two

volunteers to join him in the Brad-

ley for the next mission. "We were going back on the at-

tack, and I needed a driver and gunner," Bittinger said. "More volunteered than I needed to take with me.'

Plata, the driver on the previous mission, was gunner for the next one. Pfc. Joshua Bridges, a private at the time, was the Bradley's driver. Bridges was a Bradley driver

for eight months last year before

"A few people really wanted to go out." Bridges said. "I had experience driving and said I wanted

Despite being hit by an improvised explosive device en route, the crew killed five insurgents and wounded four. In the earlier mission, Bittinger's crew killed at least 10 insurgents, according to information provided by the unit.

Bridges said Bittinger was deserving of the award.

"It was great; I think he really deserved it," Bridges said. "He did a good job out there.

The Silver Star Medal is the Army's fourth highest award, surpassed only by the Medal of Honor, Distinguished Service Cross and Distinguished Service Medal. Since the war in Iraq began last March, 124 soldiers had been awarded the Silver Star as of May 31. By comparison, 399 had earned the Bronze Star Medal for valor over the same pe-Vandayburg was awarded the

Bronze Star posthumously. Bridges, Plata and Bittinger remain on the same crew more than

three months after the incidents of April 9

"It really brought us together as a team," Bridges said. Bittinger said he was only doing his job — granted, a job that can be tough on most days.

Basically. I just wanted to stop them. I wasn't thinking about any thing else," said Bittinger, who was surprised to be awarded the medal. "We're here trying to keep peace, and you have all these people who suddenly want to kill you. It's amazing how quickly they can turn on you

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## Idea to extend Guard past 2 years met with disfavor

BY SIG CHRISTENSON San Antonio Express-News

BAGHDAD - A Pentagon plan to extend the tours of part-time troops on active duty in Iraq met with a resounding thumbs down Thursday from National Guard soldiers

Troops attached to the Fort Hood-based 1st Cavalry Division said extending National Guard and Reserve tours beyond a two-year limit set by the Defense Department would strain their families and possibly even jeopardize jobs

"I'm getting out the first opportunity I get. I didn't sign up to be away from my family for two years unless something catastrophic happened, and what's going on here in Iraq is not what the National Guard is for," said Staff Sgt. William Hardin, a 12-year veteran of the Arkansas National Guard

"They need to draft folks and send me home," said Sgt. Larry Cooks, a 46-year-old forklift operator from Stamps, Ark

Pentagon spokesman Bryan Whitman said the Army had dropped the proposal, which became a hot topic of discussion among Arkansas Guard members here at Forward Operating Base Warrior after it

## Plan dropped by Army, while Arkansas Guard troops vent frustrations over long deployments

was detailed in Thursday's edition of Stars and Stripes He said the plan only would have affected

the 39th Brigade Combat Team. About 450 members with the team in Taji, north of Baghdad in the Sunni Triangle, came to Iraq in April after six months' peacekeeping duty in the Sinai desert and

are due to return home this fall.

Arkansas Guard Sgt. Joe James was glad to hear the Pentagon had dropped the idea, but he and other soldiers agreed there are no guarantees they won't stay in Iraq long-

"They've told us so many different sto-ries, it's not even funny," James, a 20-year veteran, said at a ribbon-cutting ceremony for a recreation center in Baghdad's Interna-

A Los Angeles Times story in Stars and Stripes said the 39th Brigade troops would hit the 24-month point in September and that its commander, Brig. Gen. Ronald Chastain, asked the Pentagon to extend their tours. Army Chief of Staff Peter Schoomaker and Defense Secretary Donald

Rumsfeld confirmed the idea was under consideration, but they insisted no decision had been made.

Hardin, 34, of Magnolia, Ark., conceded he has only himself to blame for joining and staying in the Guard. But, he added, this is

Family ties were on the minds of many, including one high school football coach.

"If they extend two years, that's crazy, said Cpl. Chad Spradlin, 26, of Hot Springs Ark. "You might as well kiss your family life

Two soldiers in his squad were forced to leave college on the eve of their gradua-

Sgt. Seth Collins, 24, of Prescott, Ark., was halfway though his final semester at Henderson State University when he left Arkansas for training at Fort Hood. He was later kept in uniform after the Army blocked his scheduled discharge under its 'stop-loss" program.

"Yes, we are in the Army; yes, we have military obligations," said Collins, 24, of Prescott, Ark. "We've fulfilled that. But un-

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Staff Sgt. William Hardin 12-year veteran of Ark. National Guard

like the regular Army, which is their job every single day, we have civilian jobs and civilian lives. So pretty much what you're doing is flipping a switch on your life

"You go from daylight to dark and you start over again."

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Above: Well-wishers turned out in force to welcome nearly 300 troops from the 4th Brigade, 1st Armored Division, based in Hanau, Germany. Right: The crowd roared as the troops marched into an aircraft hangar on Fliegerbrost Casern in Hanau.



## There's no place like home for 1st AD troops

BY KEVIN DOUGHERTY Stars and Stripes

HANAU, Germany — Looking up at her dad, Kayla Krings wiped the tears from her eyes as she began to ponder the question.

It seemed the more Kayla thought about what it was she wanted to do with her father, now that he is home, the more choked up she became.

"Everything," the 9-year-old said, glancing back up at her father, Maj. Troy Krings, 2nd Battalion, 501st Aviation Regiment. "I want to do everything." thing a lot of people affiliated with the 1st Armored Division can identify with in these heady days of homecoming ceremonies.

Two hours before Krings and the other honored guests marched into view, Trisha Wilson and a few friends sat waiting in an empty aircraft hangar in Hanau.

"I've got butterflies," Wilson said, referring to her husband, Sgt. Donta Wilson, 69th Chemical Company. "It's like I'm meeting him all over again."

Seated near Wilson was Capt.

Sara Mann. For an hour or so, Capt. Nathan Mann and his wife had been sending messages to each other via cell phones.

"Some of them I can't share," Mann said with a lover's grin.

"Oh," Mann called out to the group after reading the latest update, "they're in a [traffic jam] now."

Fortunately, the buses ferrying the lucky contingent of 4th Brigade troops from Rhein-Main Air Base to Fliegerhorst Casern didn't get stuck in traffic for too long. Shortly after 2 a.m., the buses pulled up to another hangar on post, one used to collect weapons, computers and other sensitive items.

Given all they've gone through

in Iraq over the past 15 months, the troops were remarkably subdued. While there was some laughter and backslapping, most of the soldiers looked dog-tired from the daylong odyssey. "They've been in the pipeline solong, they're kind of numb," said Maj. Blake Burslie, the brigade's rear detachment commander.

Before the troops could progress to the next stage — reunion with family and friends they had to turn in their weapons, computers and other gear, such as night-vision goggles.

Sgt. Paul Mayer and several other soldiers pumped their fists into the air after the Army formally relieved them of their M-16 rifle, something that rarely left their side for long.

"I'm happy," said Pfc. Terrell Pulliam, referring to the separation. "I hate that thing."

It took Capt. Jake Landry, who was overseeing the process, and the roughly 100 soldiers who were supporting the effort, about an hour to clear all 299 soldiers.

Soon, flags were being unfurled and gear was being thrown back on for the mission's final march. The five units on hand — the headquarters people, the chemical company, the 127th Aviation Support Battalion, and the 1st and 2nd Battalions of the 501st — lined up for some last-minute instructions

The march between the two hangars amounted to only a few hundred yards, but in many ways it signified a breaching of two worlds: one of chaos and caution to one of comfort and care.

As the soldiers rounded a corner, the soft sound of soles slapping asphalt was gradually overtaken by the melody of Lee Greenwood's song, "God Bless the USA"

"When you hear the noise," Sgt. Maj. William McNeal said to the troops as they neared the hangar, "I need you to hold tight [with your emotions] for just a while

Out of the shadows, the soldiers soon stepped into the glow of bright lights, which grew in intensity the closer they got to their destination. As McNeal predicted, the crowd erupted in cheers and screams as row upon row soldiers marched into the hangar.

Asked after the brief ceremony where his thoughts were at that moment, Sgt. Gregory Roby, with wife and daughter at his side, smiled and said: "It's not in Iraq. I'll tell you that"

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Sgt. Gregory Roby, of Company A, 127th Aviation Support Battalion, gets reacquainted with wife Cara and 3-year-old daughter Kaitlynn at a welcome home ceremony in Hanau, Germany, early Saturday morning.



The communications relay station built on Darmstadt, Germany, property is located near a Griesheim housing area. Some inhabitants are concerned that the station emits radiation some are afraid it listens in on phone calls and reads e-mails.

PHOTOS BY PETER JAEGER

# Relay station causing fear in Griesheim

BY WARD SANDERSON Stars and Stripes

GRIESHEIM, Germany - The woman backed up from the order window, warily, slowly, nearly backing into the cash register of

her cigarette kiosk She didn't know anything about the rise of the orbs, she said. She

had no opinion on them, either. Then she offered the same advice given by the nodding old man nursing a bottled beer beside the sidewalk: "Talk to the po-

Griesheim is home to 25,000 neonle, a dozing main street of dormered shops and an annual festival in praise of the onion. It also now sits next to Project ICEbox, a U.S. military communications station set to go online at full capability sometime next month.

The Improved Collection Equipment, with polished green globes like plump olives, has caused both paranoid murmurs and outright indignation since the announcement last year of their arrival

They read our e-mail and tap our telephones, some residents say. The mayor wonders whether they spy on German industry. Young parents who feel they live too close to the orbs are selling their homes, fearing radiation and mutation

Rita Capodiferro, a neighbor who belongs to a citizens' movement opposed to the orbs, worries her neighborhood will become a target of al-Qaida. The town hall has already logged 1,700 signatures opposing the project, and Capodiferro said her group has since gotten about 3,000 more.

Activists have distributed leaflets announcing "Big Brother is Watching You" and accusing the orbs of working for the "STASI of the free world," a reference to East Germany's notorious domestic spy net

'We're afraid." said Capodifer-

ro, a mother of four. "And we have no idea of what kind of radia tion there is

The relay has been operating since May with some temporary mobile components. Town offi cials say the military has told them the site would be fully operational with permanent equipment next month

The U.S. military announced would erect the relay last vear as part of its move of intelligence assets from the Aibling Bad area in Bavar



But though

the relay

moved from Bavaria along with the Army's 66th Military Intelligence Group, that unit's deputy commander said the orbs aren't his Instead Lt Col Allan Coville directed calls to U.S. Navy Europe in London, which staffs the

There, Lt. Cmdr. Terrence Dudlev said the orbs pose no threat. despite their B-movie, lunar-outpost look.

"There's no radiation. It's not a radar facility," Dudley said. "We have said in the past we have complied with all the local [health] requirements."

However as to what the relays do exactly, Dudley said he couldn't say.

"This is simply manned by the U.S. Navy; it's not a Navy facility," he said, without emborat " he said, without elaborating.

Locals believe the relay supplies data to the National Security Agency, the intelligence brains specializing in encrypting American secrets and listening in on foreign chatter

The NSA's headquarters at

Fort Meade, Md., would not com-

"We have no information to proan NSA spokesman said. "This is a matter for the Navy."

Opponents accuse the NSA of snooping via Echelon, an automated network not acknowledged by the United States but purportedly run by it and Australia, Britain, Canada and New Zealand. The system allegedly scans not only e-mail and telephone conversations but even faxes, looking for flags and filtering them via artificial intelligence. If Echelon discovers a threat, the message or call in question is supposedly referred to a human. The European Parliament has

issued reports concluding that Echelon is real, and suggesting that it targets civilian and commercial traffic. The parliament even encouraged Europeans to encrypt their e-mails.

That sort of PR is the reason protesters frequently target the joint communications center at Menwith Hill. England, which Germans believe is sister to their new orbs

Griesheim's mayor, Norbert Leber, doesn't believe the relay is radioactive. But he means to find

"We will make a test," Leber said with a smile, "without telling when it will be

Leber wishes the military had asked him before selecting the rural airfield. Though the field borders homes and even a kindergarten in Griesheim, it technically lies within the limits of the neighboring city of Darmstadt. Leber said he never wanted to stop the relay, but preferred a more isolated spot in Griesheim. away from houses

Leber wonders, though, whether the relay engages in industrial "I think the instruments are so

good," he said, "you can spy from

telling them anything.

The NSA has previously denied it engages in commercial spying. Whatever the case, residents complain that the military isn't

'They didn't say what they're for," Capodiferro said. "Why isn't

it transparent? Several neighbors have sold their homes she said Now she

wants to sell hers. Capodiferro also complained that the relay is about 200 yards from a kindergarten. 'It's ridiculous," she said

Inside the Kindergarten Spielwiese - literally "Play Meadow" there were giggly kids and a shaggy rocking horse, but no tots with tin foil

hats "No. have no problem," said a woman in

who

name.



Α woman married to a

soldier staying in nearby military housing said she hadn't even heard of the hubbub. "Nobody came here to ask ques-

tions or anything," said Aylin Minter, 24, while a little girl splashed in a wading pool behind er. "If it's really dangerous. we'll find out. That's what I say." One of her German neighbors

remains spooked.

"Somebody makes a profit from them," said a white-haired woman named Renate, spectacled atop a bicycle with baskets fore and aft. "The mayor said there's no danger for health problems, but what does he know? .. It's horrifying. They look so big."

The owner of a nearby shoe box of a greasy spoon, slot machines blinking and blooping in the background was unfazed

"Some people are very sensi Wolfgang Sauer "They're against an electric plug in the wall.

But one employee was worried about Griesheim's new notoriety.

"I'm afraid of terrorism," Maris Bubic said, "And [the relay] is very powerful. There's only another one in England.

Despite the Orwellian angst, Capodiferro said she's not against the Americans. She has fond memories of visiting a U.S. base as a young girl, gasping at fireworks on the Fourth of July. She said her anti-globes group even kicked out an anti-American ac-

She nonetheless wants the ICE to melt away, though she thinks those orbs have landed for good.

"In the beginning, there was a great concern, but now there's resignation." Capodiferro said. "You can't do anything about it." E-mail reporter Ward Sanderson at



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## More battalions, troops to boost 173rd Brigade

## Four units to be created at stateside bases

Stars and Strines

ARLINGTON, Va. - The 173rd Airborne Brigade in Vicenza Italy, will see a boost of 2,000 soldiers when, in two years, it becomes one of the Army's restructured combat brigades

In addition to two infantry battalions, the brigade will see an increase of military intelligence and signal personnel, engineers, and a support battalion, said officials who briefed reporters Friday on the next round of decisions regarding force structure basing for new Brigade Combat Team (Units of Action), or BCT(UA).

Operational requirements on the already stressed Army are forcing leaders to rapidly create and position these new units, which will be lighter, more agile and more rapidly deployable than the current brigades, said Brig. Gen. David Ralston, the Army's operations director of force management.

The Army is "taking a risk" of creating four of the units at four stateside installations next year in advance of looming decisions of possible changes to be made during the next Base Realignment and Closure process in

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■ An infantry unit will be formed at Fort Polk, La. ■ An infantry unit will be formed at Fort Richardson, Alas-

■ The 2nd Cavalry Regiment will move from Fort Polk to Fort Lewis and become the 4th Stryker BCT

Then, in fiscal 2006, six more BCT(UA)s will be formed:

A heavy unit will be formed at Fort Bliss, Texas

An infantry unit will be formed at Fort Riley, Kan.

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> Vice Adm. Michael Cowan Navy surgeon general

## Navy's top doc talks preventive medicine

WASHINGTON - When Navy Aug. 4, he'll leave knowing he helped place small teams of surgeons right on the battlefield, put prenatal care in the forefront of Navy obstetrics and slim down sailors, who make up the largest group of obese active members.

But after three years as the Surgeon General of the Navy at the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, He has tried to

make

And for him, that means pre-

ventive medicine and well-being clinics, "world class" health care

for families so warfighters don't

worry about the quality of health

care for those left at home,

anti-smoking campaigns and exer-

On the battlefields of Iraq and

Afghanistan, the Navy has For-

ward Resuscitative Surgical Sys-

tems, or FRSS, or surgeons who

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Humvees, providing life-saving treatment in what emergency

medical professionals call the

"golden hour," the first hour after

a traumatic injury when immedi-

ate medical attention dramatical-

Officials are planning for possibly Cowan, who re boosting the number to 48, al-though Defense Secretary tires next month calls the Navy's Donald Rumsfeld has not given Force Health Prothem the go-ahead, Ralston said. Currently, the Army has 33 britection strategy his most important gades that fall into seven categoaccomplishment.

ries in the active force, and there are 37 in the National Guard. "Military medicine, and Navy Eventually, all brigades, both medicine ... really active and Guard will make the transformed from transformation to the new unit of a huge emphasis action and will fall under one of on periodic, episodthe three types: heavy, infantry or Stryker. Generally, a heavy bri-gade will have 3,700 soldiers, an ic reactive care to an emphasis on what we call infantry brigade between 3,200 and 3,300 soldiers, and a Stryker Force Health Pro-Cowan. tection.

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cise programs.

Three units were created this 59, said "Force Health year and placed at Fort Stewart, Ga.: Fort Drum, N.Y.: and Fort Protection says it's Campbell, Kv. Under force stabilinot enough to take zation, brigades will train and the sick or injured fight together for up to three years. Army plans call for a 3- to person, them well, and put 4-month "reset" window when a them back. That's IJA will first be gathered togethwhat we really do er, followed by a six-month group is build a really training cycle and then a 30-month period of "combat readihealthy and fit soldier so they can go ness," which will probably in-clude either a six-month or and be persistent on the battle-

one-year deployment. Stripes reporter Lisa Burgess contributed to this story. E-mail Sandra Jontz at: jontzs@stripes.osd.mil

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BY SANDRA JONTZ ly increases the patient's chances of survival, he said.

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get them to battle the bulge from putting more nutritionists and dieticians in clinics to getting sailors and families to wear pedometers and be mindful taking stairs instead of eleva-And he tors worked with the military school system to incorporate more physical education programs to get voungster in better shape.

Beyond Force Health Protec-tion, Cowan also supported plans reduce top-heavy administrative staffs by 15 percent at the

behest of De-fense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, and was instrumental in the Navy's efforts to next year con-vert 1.771 positions held by uniformed medical personnel to civilian positions. But the transition, occurring

mostly at stateside health treatment facilities, will be seamless to patrons, Cowan assured.

Cowan, whose hobbies include making stained-glass windows and collecting orchids, leaves office Aug. 4.

He has accepted a job as the se nior Vice President for health care for the contractor Oracle.

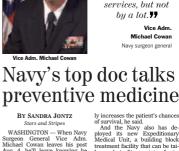
Rear Adm. Donald Arthur, who comes from the National Naval Medical Center, will replace him.

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## **Engine fire caused fatal Sigonella crash**

## Helicopter crashed in July 2003, killing 4

BY KENDRA HELMER Stars and Stripes

An engine fire is to blame for last July's fatal helicopter crash in Sigonella, Sicily, according to an investigation report received last week by Stars and Stripes.

The MH-53E's No. 2 engine caught fire after it stalled due to foreign-object damage, according to the judge advocate general final investigation report. Commander, Naval Air Force U.S. Atlantic Fleet released the report, completed last month, to Stars and Stripes.

No one survived the July 16, 2003. crash.

The Heavy Helicopter Combat Support Squadron Four crew included the squadron's executive officer, Cmdr. Kevin A. Bianchi, 40 from Manlewood N.J. I.t. Peter Ober, 27, a pilot from Jacksonville, Fla.; Petty Officer 1st Class Brian P. Gibson, 33, an aviation structural mechanic from Greenwood, Va.; and Petty Officer 3rd Class Samuel Cox, 21, an aviation electrician's mate from Duluth, Minn.

Ober, the pilot, had 664 flight hours and was described in the re port as an "above average and competent aviator." The report states Bianchi, the co-pilot with

2.630 flight hours, was a "highly respected and competent avia-

Detailed are the final radio transmissions of the crew, who were on a routine training mission on a clear day:

Bianchi: "GCA [ground control approach]." Ober: "Alright, coming down

Bianchi: "We are declaring an emergency at this time.

The final transmission came 10 seconds later, at about 5 p.m. It isn't clear who was speaking. "We are on fire, a main transmission, we're landing on a field 10 miles on the 280.3

According to the report, when the emergency was declared, the Sea Dragon's altitude was about 2,900 feet. It started descending but appeared to level off at 1,900 feet for six to 12 seconds, then continued to descend

Witnesses reported seeing it fly at low altitude and slow airspeed in a controlled flight before it landed hard and fast on a pond embankment about 10 miles west-southwest of Naval Air Station Sigonella.

Ober and Bianchi died of blunt-force injuries, burns and smoke inhalation.

Gibson and Cox died of



MH-53E Sea Dragons from Heavy Helicopter Combat Support Squadron 4 rest on the flight line at Sigonella, Sicily, last year. A report was released recently on the cause of the July 2003 crash of one of the Sigonella

blunt-force injuries

The investigation found that the crash was caused by a fire that started after the No. 2 engine stalled because of damage from

The report noted that No. 2 engines have a history of fire following in-flight stalls or engine shutdowns

> crash were strong winds and coordination between the cockpit and aircrew. The report states

Other factors in the

that while the men died not due to their misconduct. The actions of the aircrew following the in-flight emergency may have contributed

to the tragic outcome...

According to the report, the pilots passed up several suitable landing sights instead of landing immediately according to procedure. The report also said the crew failed to increase power to arrest the 99-foot-long copter's descent prior to impact.

The one-year anniversary of the crash recently was recognized by the squadron with a service of remembrance, said Cmdr. Greg Adair, squadron command-

"I kind of like to think we honor their memories by continuing on and taking care of our mission he said in a telephone interview from Sicily. Rita Barrie, Bianchi's wife,

said she appreciated the Navy and community support she and

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their three young children received after his death.

Barrie said she wants to encourage military families to financial-ly prepare for tragedies.

Always be prepared for what you think never may will happen," she said in a telephone interview from Gladwyne, Pa. "It's a horrible thing to think about, but if you want to have your family taken care of, you really need to protect yourself beyond what the government is going to give you. It's not enough to keep you financially stable for a lifetime

She said she especially thought it would never happen to her because her husband had lost his brother in a helicopter crash.

'Obviously, it can happen to anyone," she said.

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Pentagon releases Bush's '72 Guard payroll records

BY MATT KELLEY The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Newly discovered payroll records from President Bush's 1972 service in the Alabama National Guard shed no new light on the future president's activities during that

A Pentagon official said Friday the earlier contention that the records were destroyed was an "inadvertent oversight."

Like records disclosed earlier by the White House, the newly released computerized payroll records show no indication Bush drilled with the Alabama unit during July. August and September of 1972. Pay records covering all of 1972, released previously, also indicated no guard service for Bush during those three months.

The records do not give any new information about Bush's National Guard training during 1972, when he transferred to the Alabama National Guard unit so he could work on the U.S. Senate campaign of a family friend. The payroll records do not say definitively whether Bush attended training that summer because they are maintained separately from attendance records

White House spokesman Trent Duffy said Bush kept his service commitments, pointing to the fact that Bush was honorably discharged in 1973. The White House says Bush attended enough training during other months in 1972 to fulfill his service commitment for that year

The release came days before Democrats began their national convention in Boston to officially nominate Sen John Kerry as their presidential candidate. Military veterans are being tapped at the convention to help tell Kerry's story as he prepares to accept 's nomination next week

A spokesman for the Democratic National Committee, Jano Cabrera, called the discovery Friday of Bush's records "highly





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## IN THE WORLD

## Militants torch, trash Palestinian police station

By MOHAMMED DARAGHMEH
The Associated Press

RAMALLAH, West Bank — Militants raided a Palestinian police station and a local government office on Saturday, as unrest in the Gaza Strip went into a second week despite efforts by Yasser Arafat to defuse mounting

discontent with his grip on power.
Arafat, in his first public appearance since the outbreak of
demonstrations against his regime, denied he is facing a crisis
and renewed his pledge to give
more authority to his prime minis-

But the continuing violence in Gaza signaled skepticism over Arafat's promises of reform, and there was no indication that his standoff with Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia and the Palestinjan Cabinet was lessening.

"No, no, there is no crisis," said Arafat, facing a bank of microphones after meeting Arab diplomats in his headquarters.

Arafat has refused to accept the resignation of Qureia, who complained that he lacked the tools to deal with the unrest or the



Palestinian residents and police inspect the burned police station in the southern Gaza Flow of Zwaida, Israel, on Salva, Officials said unidentified militants broke into the empty station in the dark hours of the morning, posting in mattersess and blankets and setting the building of fire, in an apparent protest against Palestinian leader Vasied Fraid's 1, 6 or for flow of the control of the control of the busied Fraid's 1, 6 or for flow of the control of the control of the palesting of the control of the control of the control of the palesting of the control of the control of the palesting of the control of the control of the palesting of the control of the palesting of the control of the palesting of palesting of palesting of palesting of palesting palesting

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In Gaza on Saturday, militants torched an empty Palestinian police station south of Gaza City before dawn in the town of Zwaida, about 4 miles south of Gaza City, pouring gasoline on mattresses and blankets and setting the building alight.

The fire also damaged the town council on an upper story of the building, which had recently been renovated with donations from the Danish government.

No one was injured, officials said, but police files, computers and communications equipment were destroyed. No group immediately claimed responsibility. Abmed Abu Zaid the mayor of

Ahmed Abu Zaid, the mayor of the town, said the purpose of the raid appeared to be to "spread lawlessness and terror among the people."

# NATO orders more peacekeeping forces for Afghan elections

BY PAUL GEITNER
The Associated Press

BRUSSELS, Belgium — After months of delay, NATO has ordered hundreds more peacekeepers to Afghanistan to help provide security during presidential elections, but the deployment still appeared to fall short of 3,500 troops that were promised.

NATO ambassadors meeting late Friday approved two more battalions for Afghanistan, one each from Italy and Spain. A battalion has between 600 and 1,000

The alliance also cleared another 500 or so troops to beef up provincial reconstruction teams. Assuming the battalions were large, that would still make only 2,500

"We need a little bit more to get to 3,500," said Lt. Col. Ludger Terbrueggen, spokesman at NATO's military headquarters in southern Belgium.

Cmdr. Chris Henderson, a

spokesman for the NATO-led peacekeeping force in the Afghan capital of Kabul, said a third battalion would be on standby as part of a Reserve contingent outside the country.

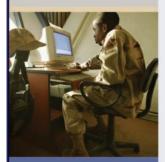
He said the alliance had yet to decide which countries would supply the reserve force but insisted "NATO has not failed in meeting its commitment." U.S. Ambassador Nicholas

Burns called the reinforcements "a significant step in the efforts of the international community to help the Afghan people." NATO took command of the in-

NATO took command of the international peacekeeping force in Afghanistan last summer. It currently has some 6,500 troops there, about half from Germany and Canada.

The troops from Italy and Spain will arrive in Afghanistan by September and remain for about two months, NATO Secretary-General Jaap de Hoop Scheffer said in a statement. The election is planned for Oct. 9.

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## 3 charged in Turkey crash

BY JAMES C. HELICKE The Associated Press

ISTANBUL, Turkey - Turkish authorities charged three crewmembers for their alleged roles in the derailment of a passenger train Thursday that killed 37 people, as critics accused the government of rushing the train into service, despite safety concerns.

Officials said four cars of a freight train also derailed in Adana province, southern Turkey on Saturday. No one was hurt,

Thursday's crash in northwestern Turkey came weeks after Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan inaugurated the train for its first voyage, despite much-publicized appeals that the route's aging tracks were not capable of supporting the express train.

The crew chief in charge of the passenger train, Koksal Coskun, and two engineers. Fikret Karabulut and Recep Sonmez, were arrested late Friday, a local police official said on customary condition of anonymity.

The officials refused to elaborate, but private NTV television said the three were charged with negligence for their alleged roles

jured 81 people.
Officials ruled out sabotage following the crash near the small, rural village of Mekece, about halfway along the train's route from Istanbul to Ankara

Transport Minister Binali Yildirim said Friday that authorities were still investigating the cause of the crash, but added the train was traveling 23 mph over the speed limit of 50 mph when it

Ismail Gurses, the attorney for the three men arrested, said railroad-issued regulations listed the speed limit in the crash area as 80 mph. The head of a transportation union said his group would ask prosecutors to press charges against the head of the railroad and Yildirim for negligence, saying conductors were forced to travel fast despite tracks that weren't up to standard.



Workers on Friday scan the crash site where a passenger train derailed in northwestern Turkey on Thursday, killing at least 37.



## iTunes' Europe deal

CUPERTINO, Calif. - Apple Computer Inc. has struck licensing deals with three of Europe's largest independent music labels, ending a discord that would have kept many local favorites off the new iTunes Music Store in Britain, France and Germany

Apple officials said Wednesday it had reached deals with Sanctuary Records Group, Beggars Group, and V2, and that it now had a standard agreement with the Association of Independent Music, a trade group represent-ing a variety of independent la-

Now "tens of thousands" of tracks will be added to the online music store's library of more than 700,000 songs in each country, Apple said.

## Damaged nuclear rods

BUDAPEST, Hungary - An operation to recover uranium fuel rods damaged during an accident at this country's only nuclear plant last year will probably take place in early 2005, said Jozsef Ronaky, director of the Hungarian Atomic Energy Agency.

The agency last week allowed the plant at Paks, 70 miles south of Budapest, to restart its No. 2 reactor, which has been shut down since the accident in April 2003.

The accident led to small amounts of radioactive gas being released into the atmosphere after uranium fuel rods overheated and warped due to a failed cooling system after being cleaned.

The damaged rods had to be sealed in a deep water tank next to the reactor and have remained stranded there since. The plant's three other reactors

were operating normally. Paks provides around 40 percent of Hungary's electrical energy.

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From wire reports

# Security shield offers defense for Olympics

By DEREK GATOPOULOS

The Associated Press

ATHENS, Greece — Months behind schedule and millions over budget, Athens is finally ready to spy on the Olympics.

A vast network of street cameras, surveillance vans, underwater sensors and a blimp bristling with ultra-sensitive monitors was declared operational Friday — three weeks before the games begin and a day after the Olympic Village onened.

The \$312 million surveillance system was supposed to be ready May 28, but there were delays in installation, blamed on construction setbacks at Olympic venues, including the main stadium.

Overall security for the Aug. 13-29 games is costing three times more than planned. Greece initially was to spend \$600 million on security, but that has soared to a record \$1.5 billion operation to thwart a possible terrorist attack.

Athens also has been getting security help from the United States, Britain, Israel and other countries, and NATO will send air and sea patrols and experts in biochemical weapons.

Alliance officials confirmed this week that Greece is seeking additional counterterrorism assistance — a request likely to receive summany approval — including 400 elite troops from the United States

"Greece is ready," Premier Costas Caramanlis said Friday. "Greece will host ... absolutely successful games in conditions of

supreme safety."
That's quite a promise for the first summer Olympics after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. Earlier this year, fears of attacks in Europe increased dramatically after terrorist bombings in Madrid and Istanbul. Turkev.

Greece also is close to many of the world's hot spots — including the Balkans and the Middle East, and is troubled by local anar-

and is troubled by local anarchists and other radical groups. "We have considered every possible scenario," Public Order Minister Giorgos Voulgarakis said.

The security shield was developed by Pentagon contractor Science Applications International Corp. Companies in the consortium include Germany's Siemens AG; General Dynamics of Falls Church, Va.; New Jersey-based Honeywell International, and the Israeli company Elbit Systems. Several Greek companies also are participating.



A police officer stands in front of a U.S.-Swiss airship at an old airfield in Athens on Thursday. The airship, fitted with cameras and sensors, will help provide security at the Olympics.

It encompasses everything from irris scanners that check the identities of airport employees to large X-ray machines capable of looking through entire trucks. There are microphones listening for underwater swimmers in ports, and cameras that can recognize the sound of a gunshot and

Fed into a security command center, images and audio will stream from more than 1,000 cameras in venues and main streets, police helicopters, spy planes and on an airship that began floating

automatically zoom in on it.

over Athens on Friday.

The blimp also is fitted with chemical "sniffers" and other secretive sensors. It will help authorities communicate with

70,000 police and troops on the

Added to the surveillance system will be an extensive array of physical barriers, including double perimeter fences around key venues and concrete barriers for car bomb attacks. NATO AWACS surveillance plans will help maintain a no-fly zone over Athens, while Patriot missiles may be called on to

Tho mission ..., a shoot down regue planes. The Olympic Village, which opens July 30, will have police checkpoints up to two miles from the entrance, 24-hour patrols, motion sensors and the truck-scanning X-ray. The security system will be partially tested Sunday during a police exercise to manage traffic between the city's main Olympic venues.

## IRA founder dead at 84

The Associated Press

DUBLIN, Ireland — Joe Cahill, a founding father of the modern Irish Republican Army who once narrowly avoided the hangman's noose, has died, the IRA-linked Sinn Fein party announced Saturday. He was 84.

Cahill died Friday in his Belfast home after suffering for years from asbestosis, a lung-ravaging condition he acquired while working in Belfast's Harland & Wolff shipyards in the

Cahill was the first Belfast commander of the modern "Provisional" wing of the IRA founded in December 1969, the year that Northern Ireland descended into decades of civil unrest.

He also was the principal mentor of Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams, who, as an IRA member, served under Cahill's direct command in the early 1970s, when the IRA began killing British soldiers and police and bombing towns and cities in Northern Ire-

land and England.
"Joe Cahill spent a lifetime in struggle. He was both a leader and a servant of the republican cause." Adams said Saturday.

Sinn Fein said Cahill would be buried Tuesday in Milltown Cemetery in west Belfast, the final resting place for scores of IRA members, after services at nearby St. Paul's Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife, Annie, and seven children.

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## **German police raid Islamic** areas seeking terror clues

The Associated Press

STUTTGART, Germany — Police raided mosques and Muslim community centers in two southern German states Friday in what authorities said was an attempt to learn more about extremist

Some 400 police officers searched 18 buildings in Baden-Wuerttemberg, checking occupants' papers as part of attempts to track Islamic extremists, the state Interior Ministry said in a statement.

"The goal is to continue an intensive fight against criminal Islamists and to uncover the networked structures of Islamic extremists and terrorists," the statement said.

Authorities announced no arrests

In parallel raids in neighboring Rhineland-Palatinate, some 230 police officers questioned 235 people and searched 102 vehicles

Five people were taken into custody on suspicion

of being in Germany illegally.
"With the background of the recent attacks in Madrid and Iraq, security authorities believe there is a high potential of Islamist and extremist offend-ers also in Germany," state police said in a state-

The raids are the latest in a series by German police. Most recently, police in Cologne on July 15 searched an Islamic cultural center and mosque after receiving a tip that it was being used to form a radical Islamic network.

No arrests were made and police said there was "no hint that attacks were being planned."



Professor Stephen Hawking makes a startling announcement about black hole theory at the International Conference on General Relativity and Gravitation on Wednesday in Ballsbridge, Dublin.

## Hawking flip-flops on black hole theory

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BY SHAWN POGATCHNIK The Associated Press

DUBLIN, Ireland - After 29 years of thinking about it, Stephen Hawking says he was

wrong about black hole The renowned Cambridge University physicist presented a paper Wednesday arguing that black holes, the celestial vortex-es formed from collapsed stars, preserve traces of objects swal-lowed up and eventually could spit bits out "in a mangled form." Last week, in an inter-view with the BBC, he revealed he had changed his long-held thinking on black holes

Hawking's radical new theory caps his three-decade struggle to explain a paradox in scientif-ic thinking: How can objects re-

ally "disappear" inside a black no trace, as he when subatomic theory says mat-ter can be transformed never fully destroyed? Hawking had previous-ly insisted that black holes destroy all molecu-lar fingerprints of their contents and emit only a

radiation But on Wednesday, at the 17th International Conference on General Relativity and Gravitation, Hawking presented mind-boggling new calculations that suggest black holes are able to cast out their contents - and that there's only one way in and one

Hawking, 62, said he no longer believes a 1980s theory that black holes might offer passage into another universe, a rival explanation for identifying where matter and energy go when consumed by a black hole.

Hawking now sides with particle physicists who have long insisted that any matter swal-lowed by a black hole can't just disappear but must eventually generate a specific output. The latest theory offers hope that scientists one day may identify the history of what a black hole has taken in over the eons — by decoding what it emits.

"There is no baby universe branching off [inside a black hole], as I once thought. The information remains firmly in our universe," Hawking said in a speech to about 800 physicists and other scientists from 50 countries. "I'm sorry to disappoint science fiction fans, but if information is preserved, there is no possibility of using black holes to travel to other universes

"If you jump into a black hole. your mass energy will be returned to our universe, but in a mangled form, which contains the information about what you were like, but in an unrecogniz-

able state Hawking's new theory pro-

duced waves of skepticism and puzzlement from lea from leading physics professors. Two in the front row - William Unruh of the University of British Colum-bia and Robert Wald of the Uni-versity of Chicago — shrugged and shook their heads in dishelief at Hawking. "Part of the problem is he's

providing so few details, so it's impossible to know whether we can believe these calculations. Unruh said. "Stephen Hawking's not stupid, so we're going to take what he says seriously ... but the whole theory we're hearing

seems extremely speculative."

Not long ago, Hawking was just as certain that black holes destroyed whatever they took in. In 1997, he and Caltech physics professor Kip Thorne made a et with particle physicist John Preskill that "information swallowed by a black hole is forever hidden from the outside universe and can never be revealed

Wednesday, Hawking ended his lecture by saying he had proved that Preskill was right, and gave Preskill an encyclopedia on baseball as his re-

## Pantheon for sale: Rome's landmarks are now prestigious advertising space

Chicago Tribune

ROME - There's a lovely 16th century church at the top of the Spanish Steps - Rome's premier gathering spot for tourists — but if you're visiting Rome this summer, you won't be able to see it.

That's because it's been draped in a giant advertisement for L'Oreal beauty products, the latest in a series of controversial ads to obscure the ancient city's monuments

There's also a big bottle of shampoo covering up one end of the 15th century Campo di Fiori, an outsized Vespa scooter zooming across a facade behind the Piazza Navona, and the Piazza di Spagna is dominated by a banner promoting coffee.

Soon, Rome's beloved Pantheon, the former pagan temple that has survived through the ages in the heart of the city, will become the first Roman antiquity to be covered with ads.

Cellular phone companies have expressed great interest in the prestigious advertising space, according to Interpromos, the agency that has signed a six-figure deal to promote the marketing merits of the 2,000-year-old domed structure

Advocates of the ads say it's all for a good cause. Billboards have become an increasingly common sight on Rome's monuments since a 1997 law authorizing the sale of advertising on scaffolding to cover the costs of restoration work to the city's vast cultural heritage

But when a 2,000-square-foot lipstick ad featuring a huge pair of red lips appeared in May across the facade of the 15th century Trinita dei Monti church, whose position at the top of the Spanish Steps gives it a commanding view of the city, there was an outcry

"It's clearly an abuse, a terrible abuse, which damages not only the beauty of the city but the visitors who come here to admire our ancient monuments," said Adri-ano La Regina, the superintendent of archaeology for Rome and one of the most outspoken opponents of the policy.



An advertisement for an internet company adorns a 1938 obelisk erected during the rule of Benito Mussolini in Rome, Italy,

The city has decreed that the ads must be "compatible" with their environment and the L'Ore-

But the furor has stirred a debate about the advertising.

building long obscured from public view is the 7th century San Silvestrino Church, an English-language church in Rome, owned by the Interior Ministry. The church's facade was crumbling, and Father Dennis O'Brien, San Silvestrino's Irish rector, said he was not averse in principle to the idea of using ad-

vertising to pay for the work.

The scaffolding has been up for more than a year, and the work is nowhere near completion, he said. In the meantime, ads for the Tunisian tourist board and a perfume retailer are among those that have been hung on the church.

'It's been a very negative experience, and I don't know when it's going to end." O'Brien said.

Examples such as this are fueling suspicions that even the owners of buildings that do need restoring are exploiting the law to make money. Proponents of the policy acknowledge there have been abuses, but say there is simply no choice if Rome is to maintain all its many ancient trea-

The Pantheon project will raise \$890,000 to cover the cost, and the content of the advertising will be tightly controlled, said Vanna Mannucci, vice president of Italia Nostra, an environmental agency that is working to link up advertis-

ers with restoration projects La Regina is not convinced.

"The Pantheon doesn't need restoring, and if there is work that needs to be done, it will only take a few days," he said. "It would be a correct policy if the real purpose was restoration, but I'm not sure that it is."

## IN THE STATES

## **Bush to heed 9/11 panel's recommendations**

BY PETE YOST The Associated Press

CRAWFORD Teyas - Without promising what specific steps he will take, President Bush is committing his administration to relying on the recommendations of the Sept. 11 commission in waging the war on terrorism

"The danger to America has not passed," Bush said Saturday in his weekly radio address, citing the cautionary note sounded this week by the commission chairman, Thomas Kean.

The commission's unanimous report, the culmination of a 20-month investigation, por-

## But some officials oppose intelligence czar

ists as creative and determined while the nation they were preparing to strike was unprepared and uncomprehending of the imminent danger.

Legislation that would carry out two of the report's recommendations will be the focus of an unusual round of hearings in August while Congress is in recess.

"The 9/11 commission's recommendations will help guide our efforts," said the president. "We will carefully examine all the can improve our ongoing efforts to protect America and to prevent another attack

Kean, a Republican, has left no doubt what he thinks should be done, saying that unless the panel's recommendations are implemented swiftly, "We're more vulnerable to another terrorist attack. We're in danger of just letting things slide. Time is not on

our side.' Bush has not said how quickly the administration will act. Two cials, Homeland Security chief Tom Ridge and acting CIA director John McLaughlin, oppose a Cabinet-level overseer of the intelligence apparatus, saying im-

proving the current structure is White House chief of staff Andrew Card will undertake a Cabinet-level review of the proposals, which will be examined at all levels of government.

what is needed.

Bush insists all recommenda tions are on the table, while detailing the steps already taken.

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He pointed to the dismantling of terrorist cells from California to Florida the removal of regimes in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"We have waged a steady, relentless, determined war," said the president.

Bush said his administration has provided \$13 billion to equip and train more than half a million first responders in cities across the country.

## Agencies load weapons with 'green ammo'

BY RUSS BYNUM The Associated Press

BRUNSWICK, Ga. - Officers aim their submachine guns at small steel targets and fire short bursts of bullets that, on impact, disintegrate into copper-colored

So-called "green ammo" — bul-lets made of iron, copper and other metals less toxic than lead - has become the norm at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, essentially the nation's largest police academy.

Responsible for training the employees of 76 federal agencies, from the Secret Service to the U.S. Park Service police, the center has virtually created a market for unleaded ammunition that officials say poses fewer health and environmental risks.

"This is one of the most significant advances in police training I've seen in my 20-plus-year career." said Mark Fritts, a senior firearms instructor at the center.



A pile of copper and zinc dust is what remains of 10 rounds of 40 caliber unleaded ammunition at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Glynco, Ga.

Made from compressed metal particles, the ammo was introduced at the center six years ago and now makes up 75 percent of the 20 million rounds fired annually at the center's campuses in Brunswick; Artesia, N.M. Charleston, S.C.; and Chelten ham, Md. The center, the nation's largest user of ammunition outside the military, started asking manufacturers in 1994 to develop bullets with no risk of injury to cadets from metal fragments when fired at close range

When manufacturers began designing the bullets without lead, the environmental benefits became apparent. The center estimates its switch to unleaded ammo has eliminated some 70,000 pounds of lead waste .Since 1994, the military has been phasing in its own version of a "green bullet" made of a tungsten composite that's suitable for combat.

## Calif. firefighters mull closing national forests

BY JOHN ROGERS The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - Even as firefighters contained major wild-fires in southern California, authorities contemplated drastic steps to prevent more in what could be another disastrous fire

Angeles National Forest supervisor Jody Noiron said Friday that the onslaught of blazes was unprecedented this early in the fire season

In the past week, wildfires destroved more than 48,000 acres of dry brush and trees. A handful of homes and other structures were lost and thousands of residents were evacuated.

If the hot, dry weather condi-tions continue, forest officials "may be faced with some very tough decisions" to restrict use of national forests or close them. Noiron said.

Stanton Florea, a spokesman for the national forest, said the closures are only one of many measures being eyed by fire officials.

"It's being discussed. There are many other levels of fire restrictions that we'd go to prior to that," he said.

Those measures could include restricting campfires and stoves and closing at-risk areas, he said.

With southern California in the fifth year of a drought and temperatures in the fire areas consistently reaching the high 90s, firefighters said it seemed more like October — the height of fire sea-- than mid-July.

California saw its worst fire sea son ever last year, when a series of gigantic blazes burned across more than 750,000 acres, destroying 3,650 homes and killing 24

people.
Those firestorms all came in October — a time when brush and timber, deprived of rain throughout the region's dry sum-mers, are most susceptible to fires driven by hot Santa Ana

Citing extreme fire danger, authorities last year shut down the Cleveland and Angeles national forests and part of the San Bernardino National Forest for a time.

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An FBI aerial photograph shows the crash site of hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 in Shanksville, Pa., on Sept. 12, 2001.

## Sept. 11 panel documents scene onboard Flight 93

By Peter Slevin The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - The scene aboard the hijacked airliner played out like a radio drama as passengers tried to storm the cockpit. Amid sounds of shouting, screaming and breaking dishes, one hijacker called to a partner at the jet's controls, "Pull it down!

Pull it down!' The pilot turned the control wheel hard to the right, and the iet rolled onto its back. United Airlines Flight 93 headed down.

Forty-eight seconds later, at 10:03:11 a.m., as a hijacker shouted. "Allah is the greatest" over and over in Arabic, the plane crashed nose first into a Pennsylvania field, killing the hijackers and the passengers who defied

In a chilling account based on tape recordings, mechanical data. FBI documents and interviews, the Sept. 11 commission assembled the most complete account vet of events inside Flight 93 and the other three jetliners that were hijacked on Sept. 11, 2001.

According to the commission's final report, issued Thursday, the Flight 93 struggle apparently took place at the closed door to the cockpit. Unarmed passengers tried in vain to fight their way inside as an increasingly frantic hijacker jerked the controls violently to throw them off balance.

Flight 93, carrying 37 passer ers and a crew of seven, took off late from Newark for Los Angeles

In the cockpit, the pilots first

learned of the earlier hijackings at 9:24, when a United dispatcher named Ed Ballinger sent a text warning: "Beware any cockpit intrusion - two a/c hit World Trade Center."

Two minutes later, the hijackers attacked as the plane flew above eastern Ohio.

At 9:32, one of the hijackers announced: "Ladies and gentlemen. Here the captain. Please sit down. Keep remaining sitting. We have a bomb on board. So sit."

The pilot turned the jetliner and headed east

The cockpit voice recorder. drawing from microphones in the pilots' headsets and an overhead panel, recorded the last 31 minutes of the flight. Also, at least 10 nassengers and two crewmembers who had been forced to the back of the aircraft made calls on the plane's air phone system, learning of the World Trade Cen-

"At 9:57 a.m.," the commission "the passenger assault

ter attack

When the passengers charged, the hijackers' pilot, Ziad Samir Jarrah, rolled the airplane right and left, trying to knock the attackers off balance. At 9:58, he told another hijacker to block the door.

At 10:01, Jarrah stopped the maneuvers and called out twice, "Allah is the greatest!" And at 10:03, the plan crashed.

"Jarrah's objective crash his airliner into the symbols of the American republic, the Capitol or the White House," the commission wrote. "He was defeated by the alerted, unarmed passengers of United 93."

## 9/11 commission touches on Lewinsky scandal

WASHINGTON - The Sept. 11 commission's final report says there's no evidence suggesting former U.S. President Bill Clinton or-dered airstrikes on Osama bin Laden targets to distract attention from his affair with Monica Lewinsky.

But the report says the affair, coupled with other issues, likely affect-

ed later discussions about using force against the terrorist leader.
Following U.S. embassy bombings in Kenya and Tanzania, the Clinton administration planned and launched cruise missile strikes on alleged terrorist assets of bin Laden in Sudan and Afghanistan.

The report said reaction to the Aug. 20, 1998, strikes included "scalding criticism" that the action was "too aggressive."

"At the time, President Clinton was embroiled in the Lewinsky scan-

dal, which continued to consume public attention for the rest of that year and the first months of 1999," the report said.

In testimony, Clinton aides told the commissioners that their advice to Clinton about the airstrikes was based solely on national security considerations. "We have found no reason to question their state-

ments," the commissioners said. From The Associated Press

## Report details motivation, mindset of 9/11 planners

BY SUSAN SCHMIDT The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - If the mastermind of the Sept. 11, 2001, at-tacks had known that Zacarias Moussaoui, an al-Qaida operative now charged as a conspirator in the plot, had been arrested in August, he might have canceled the

Khalid Sheik Mohammed, the main strategist behind the at-tacks, did not find out until after 11 that Moussaoui was iailed in Minnesota on immigration charges

That revelation, from a U.S. interrogation of one of Moham-med's top deputies, Ramzi Binalshibh, is among many new details about the planning and execution of the attacks contained in the 567-page report of the commission investigating the attacks and the government's response, which was released Thursday.

Rich in specifics, the report draws on intelligence reports not previously made public, includ-ing information drawn from CIA interrogations of high-level al-Qaida operatives that reveal new information on the plans, motives and mind-set of the terrorists involved in the attacks, as well as others at the organization's highest levels.

The commission members believe Moussaoui was to have been among the Sept. 11 hijackers, al-though Binalshibh has called him a poor candidate who was needed only to fill out a shaky roster. Momed has told interrogators that Moussaoui was going to be part of a second wave of attacks. the report said.

The commission report provides similar glimpses of other ter-rorists associated with the attacks. including Mohammed, who is referred to in the report as "KSM," and who promoted the idea of using the jetliners as missiles.

Mohammed originally conceived of crashing nine airliners while he would hijack a 10th himself, killing the male passengers and landing to give a speech "ex coriating" repressive Arab governments and U.S. support for Israel.

"Beyond KSM's rationalizations about targeting the U.S. economy, this vision gives a better glimpse of its true ambitions. This is theater, a spectacle of de-struction with KSM as the self-cast star - the superterrorist," the report said.

Abd al-Rahim al-Nashiri, who became head of al-Qaida operations on the Arabian peninsula, was "so extreme in his ferocity in waging jihad" that he would commit a terrorist act inside the holi-est mosque in Mecca if he thought there were a need, according to interviews with captured terrorists, the report quoted. Nashiri, who reported directly to bin Laden, orchestrated the 2000 bombing of the USS Cole in

Despite the attention bin Laden has received from U.S. officials. working with him have accorded him undivided devotion.

Nashiri was asked to swear loyalty to bin Laden but "found the notion distasteful and refused, the report said. He was not alone Mohammed also refused as did Hambali, the powerful leader of Southeast Asia's Jemaah Islamiah terrorist network who accepted bin Laden's offer in 1998 to form an alliance "in waging war against Christians and Jews.

Mohammed and his nephew, Ramzi Yousef, began talking about plots to hijack U.S. airliners and crash them into buildings after the 1993 World Trade Center bombing — for which Yousef was later convicted.

The report reveals that the target bin Laden was most interested in hitting was the White House, even though hijack leader Moham ed Atta thought it was too difficult and preferred the Capitol.

At a meeting in Spain in July 2001, Binalshibh told Atta that bin Laden wanted the attacks "carried out as soon as possible because he was worried about having so many operatives in the United States." In early August. Atta communicated to Binalshibh that the attacks would be launched in the first week of September, when Congress recon-

Atta said he and Marwan Al-Shehhi would pilot airliners into the World Trade Center, and crash them on the streets of New York if they could not hit the tow-



## 'Jeopardy!' champ now goes on hiatus

BY DAVID BAUDER The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Will Ken Jennings ever lose? Not anytime soon. The "Jeopardy!" quiz master won his 38th straight game on Friday, shattering a one-day record by earning \$75,000. Now his fans — and foes - have to wait while the show goes on hiatus until September.

Jennings, the 30-year-old Utah software engineer, has earned \$1,321,660 during his nearly two-month stint. He's become an unlikely TV star, visiting Jay Leno on the "Tonight" show Thursday, and made geeks

"Jeopardy!" goes into reruns starting Monday. But new shows will resume on Sept. 6, and Jennings will be there to defend his championship

Three times, Jennings purposely tied the one-day record of \$52,000 with carefully calculated wagers on Final Jeopardy. On Friday, he approached the "Final Jeopar-dy" question having already earned \$51,400. Asked to name two of the four Shakespeare plays in which ghosts appear onstage, Jennings correctly answered "Hamlet" and "Richard III."

Then he revealed his bet: \$23,600 "Will it never end for this talented young man?" host Alex Trebek said. "We'll have to wait awhile to find out.

Jennings, who lives in Salt Lake City and is married with a 1-year-old son, is a Mormon who has already promised to tithe 10 percent of his winnings to his church.

"Jeopardy!" used to require its champions to leave after winning five times, but



"Jeopardy!" champion Ken Jennings talks with Jay Leno during "The Tonight Show With Jay Leno" on Thursday in Burbank, Calif.

last year changed its rules to allow players to continue until they are beaten. Jennings

has beaten 76 challengers. While "Jeopardy!" producers will have

to write Jennings a big check, that rules change has paid off: the game show's ratings have jumped by 50 percent during his



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## View-Master clicks to 65-year milestone

By CAROLYN THOMPSON

The Associated Press

EAST AURORA, N.Y. - With the pump of a finger, the View-Master has given genera-tions a 3-D look at everything from man's first moonwalk to the adventures of SpongeBob SquarePants.

The iconic toy occupies a place in the National Toy Hall of Fame, alongside Barbie and Mr. Potato Head, and has inspired many a Web site. This year, it achieves another mark of success: its 65th anniversary.

For the uninitiated, View-Master is the handheld gadget that resembles a squarish pair of plastic binoculars. It spins a circular reel a notch each time the user pushes down its arm to reveal new 3-D images, which are often sequenced to tell a story.

"People who grew up in the '70s think it's a '70s thing," collector Eddie Bowers said, "and people who grew up in the '50s think it's a '50s thing. It's their child-hood."

Jim Silver, publisher of the Toy Book, an industry magazine, said parents' fond memories and an ef-fort to keep the reel subjects current has fostered View-Master's success. "Parents love to buy things for their children that they had when they were young and that they loved," he said.

The public got its first good look at View-Master at the 1940 World's Fair in New York, a year after its creator, amateur stereo photographer William Gruber, introduced it in Portland, Ore. By 1941, more than 100,000 stores were carrying it.

The military adopted it during World War II for training reels, and the 1950s saw an abundance of reels of national parks and other scenic attractions, intended as souvenirs for adults. For kids,



David Berg, longtime View-Master photographer, poses with his 3-D camera setup that he uses to create images for the View-Master at Fisher-Price in East Aurora. N.Y. In the background is the original set that was used to make the "Casper the Friendly Ghost" View-Master reel pack.

View-Master obtained licensing to use Disney characters in 1951 and those and other movie and television favorites have been mainstays of the line ever since.

More than 1.5 billion reels have been issued since 1939 Most appealing to collectors is

that any one of those white paper reels, with their 14 thumbnail film images, will work in any View-Master viewer. The reels size and shape have never changed.

For the 65th anniversary, Fisher-Price. who took View-Master from Tyco Toys in 1997, has produced a box set with compilation reels from each decade. Viewers can click their way from a 1930s view of the Golden Gate Bridge through a shot of pop singer Brandy in concert.

## **Kerry seeks to open up**

## Candidate aims to show more personality at convention

By NEDRA PICKLER

The Associated Press

DENVER - As John Kerry winds his way across the country and ultimately to Boston to accept the Democratic presidential nomi nation next week, he'll be talking more about something he hasn't discussed much in his campaign - John Kerry.

Kerry's campaign has been more about what President Bush has done wrong and which policies Kerry would implement to

Kerry does not typically open up about himself personally, and it's part of the reason Americans don't know much about him.

Many Democrats say he needs to reveal more of himself if he's going to win over voters. Besides, they say, his biography may be his hest asset - particularly his lauded service in the Vietnam

But the Bush campaign has spent millions of dollars on ads criticizing Kerry's voting record that may leave more voters with the impression that he's a flip-flopper than the Democrat's preferred identity as a war hero. Kerry's mission at the Democratic National Convention is to try to change that impression.

Kerry's primary identity has been as a Massachusetts senator with 20 years of votes, some that Kerry touts and some that President Bush has tried to use against During the convention. Kerry hopes to move beyond his Senate voting record to define himself as a husband, father, combat veteran, tough prosecutor, na-

tional security expert, outdoors-

man man of faith. according to a campaign message doc-

iiment. Kerry was

kicking off his pre-convention tour Friday at Fitzsimons

Army Hospi-

ra, Colo., where he was born 61 years ago in December and lived for his first three months. At a speech later in Denver, Kerry planned to talk about the values he learned from his parents

His father, Richard, volunered to serve during World War II and was stationed in Colorado when Kerry was born. His mother, Rosemary, led his Boy Scout troop, volunteered at a hospital and started a recycling program before they were a community stanle

Both of his parents are now dead. Kerry choked up when ABC News anchor Peter Jennings asked him in an interview Thursday if he wished they could be there to see him get the nomination next week

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This is an emotional side of Kerry that he rarely shows publicly. At campaign stops, he often asks voters personal questions about their health, their age and even their income, but he doesn't reveal much about his own feelings or share personal stories.

He usually leaves that duty to people who campaign with him, including his children, his wife and his former Navy crewmates from the Vietnam

Kerry communications director Stephanie Cutter said the convention and the events leading up to it give Kerry a chance to tell the voters "what's in his heart."

"By the end of the week they'll have a sense of who the man is Cutter said.

Kerry's stump speech has been harshly critical of Bush, but Cutter said the next week he will remain positive and focused on showing voters how he will make the country safe and secure.

"I don't know if you can ever control completely what anyone says," Kerry told USA Today for a story in Friday editions. "But obviously we are trying to encourage people to be as positive as they can be. Some may stray.

## **History-rich Boston** ready for DNC party

The Associated Press

BOSTON - This is a city of contradictions

It is the cradle of patriotism, a centuries-old haven for immigrants seeking freedom from religious persecution, the site of Paul Revere's historic ride, the Boston Tea Party and home port to the USS Constitution.

It is also the place where terrorists commandeered the two passenger planes they would later use as missiles to destroy the World Trade Center towers

It is a city with puritan roots. Yet it has taken the lead in some of the most progressive social reforms in America, from the abolition of slavery to feminism to gay

As Democrats stage their national con-

vention here. they will rely heavily on the rich history of Boston. on its working-class and

image on its disparate neighborhoods to illustrate the party's agenda for the na-



tion. "One of the reasons we picked Boston is it is such a diverse city," said Terry McAuliffe, chairman of the Democratic National Committee. "We plan on highlighting the positives in the history and development of our nation.

There's a lot to choose from, well beyond the clam "chowdah," baseball's Fenway Park and historic Faneuil Hall

From its Old North Church a sexton hing two lanterns to warn that the British were coming by sea, launching Revere's famous ride Roston Common is America's oldest public park, and Samuel Adams gave the signal to proceed with the Boston Tea Party from the Old South Meeting

"Boston really is the bedrock of American history," said Mayor Thomas M. Menino, who spearheaded the effort to bring the convention to the city. It has revolutionized its economic system time and again, first making its life from the sea, with fishing and shipning It then expanded to include textiles, banking and the railroad.

In the 20th century, the city adapted its economy when textiles headed south, emerging with new technology. It continues to do so today with biotechnology and medical and pharmaceutical

research Boston has 68 colleges and uniwell versities. as state-of-the-art medical and research centers. It is a leader in technology and venture capital. Many of Boston's oldest buildings remain vital parts of the city and links to its past — from historic sites to Fenway Park.

Boston looks and feels much the same as a community of neighborhoods as it did two or three decades ago," said Ted Landsmark, president of the Boston Architectual Center.

## Convention speakers list

A preliminary schedule of primetime speakers at the Democratic National Convention, July 26-29:

■ Monday: The Kerry-Edwards Plan for America's Future. David Alston. Vietnam swift boat crewmate of John Kerry; Rep. Tammy Baldwin, D-Wis.; former President Carter- former President Clinton- Sen Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y.: Former Vice President Al Gore; Rep. Steny Hoyer, D-Md.; Demo cratic Party Chairman Terry McAuliffe: Rep. Kendrick Meek, D-Fla.: Rep. Robert Menendez, D-N.J.; Th omas Menino, mayor of Boston; Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-Md., joined by all Democratic women senators; Rep. Stephanie Tubbs-Jones, D-Ohio; Rep. Jim Turner, D-Texas

■ Tuesday: A Lifetime of Strength & Service. Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D.; Howard Dean; Sen. Dick Durbin, D-III.; James Forbes, senior minister at Riverside Church, New York City; Rep. Dick Gephardt, D-Mo.; Chris Heinz, stepson of John Kerry; Teresa Heinz Kerry, wife of John Kerry; Rep. Mike Honda, D-Calif.; Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass.; Rep. Jim Langevin, D-R.I.; Carol Moseley Braun; Janet Napolitano, governor of Arizona; Barack Obama, U.S. Senate candidate from Illinois: Ron Reagan, son of former President Reagan; Christie Vilsack, first lady of lowa; Ilana Wexler, 13-year-old founder of Kirls

■ Wednesday: A Stronger More Secure America. Steve Brozak, Ret. Lt. Col., USMC, House candidate from New Jersey; Rep. Elijah Cummings, D-Md.; Cate Edwards, daughter of John Edwards: Eliza beth Edwards, wife of John Edwards; vice presidential candidate John Edwards: Sen. Bob Graham. D-Fla.; Jennifer Granholm, governor of Michigan; Rep. Dennis Kucinich, D-Ohio; Rep. Greg Meeks, D-N.Y.; Martin O'Malley, mayor of Baltimore; Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev.; Ed Rendell, governor of Pennsvlvania: Bill Richardson, governor of New Mexico; Al Sharpton.

■ Thursday: Stronger at Home, Respected in the World. Madeleine Albright, former Secretary of State; Joe Biden, D-Del.; Wesley Clark; former Sen. Max Cleland, D-Ga.; Rep. James Clyburn, D-S.C.; Alexandra Kerry, daughter of John Kerry; presidential candidate John Kerry: Vanessa Kerry. daughter of John Kerry: Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn.; Rep. Ed Markev D.Mass · Ren Juanita Millenda er-McDonald, D-Calif.; Rep. Eleanor Holmes Norton, D-District of Columbia; House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif.: Jim Rassman, Green Beret rescued by John Kerry in Vietnam; Rep. Louise Slaughter, D-N.Y., joined by congressional women; John Sweeney, president of AFL-CIO; Mark Warn er, governor of Virginia. From The Associated Press

## Internet convention coverage scaling back

BY ANICK JESDANUN The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Gone from Internet coverage of the political conventions are most of the gimmicks like 360-degree cameras that Web surfers can con-Also gone are television-style reports at USA To-

day's Web site and an original newscast from America Online Inc.

While 2004 brings better use of high-speed Internet connections, Flash animation technology and independent Web journalists known as bloggers, media organizations are largely returning to the basics on the Internet.

They are dropping the bells and whistles in favor of what they do best: covering the news. Internet media descended on the 2000 conventions

declaring a revolution, prompting many pundits to recall the arrival of television at a convention in 1948.

Last time, two online outlets, Pseudo Programs Inc. and AOL, produced original programming from skyboxes typically reserved for broadcasters. Republicans had their "Internet Alley," Democrats their "Internet Avenue" - where online outlets were grouped together in the media center.

Pseudo, out of cash, shut down just one month later. AOL passed on a skybox this year. Next week's Democratic National Convention in Boston won't have an Internet Alley or Avenue (though it will have "Bloggers Boulevard" for the independent bloggers making their debuts)

ABC News is dropping 360-degree images "gimmicks that turned out to be a waste of time and energy" said Rernard Gershon general manager for the ABC News Digital Media Group. "Except for the people who created it, very few people looked at

Not that the conventions will be devoid entirely of the bells and whistles common in 2000. The New York Times' Web site will have 360-degree images, while CNN's convention-floor webcam will offer 24-hour feeds, including those of janitors cleaning up.

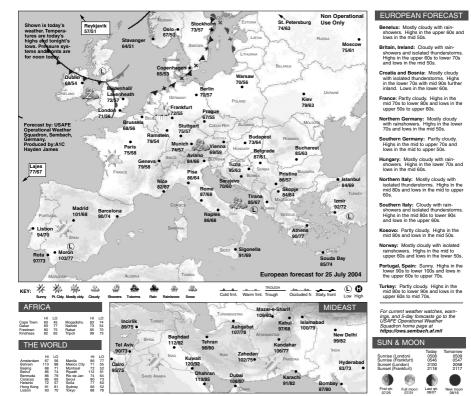


Bernard Gershon, general manager for the ABC News Digital Media Group, center, and ABC News correspondent Gigi Stone, left, talk with America Online Senior Programming Manager Kathleen Hayden at an ABC news studio. The companies are working together to provide news coverage of the Democratic and Republican conventions online

But the focus will be on complementing other media, not duplicating or replacing them MSNBC.com won't do gavel-to-gavel webcasts, and CNN's online video feed will draw upon fewer camera angles and reporters than its cable counter-

"If you're in front of the TV, that's where you should watch it," said Mitch Gelman, executive producer of CNN.com. "What you want to come to online for is for in-depth analysis and complementary elements like quizzes and quick votes.

"The big difference between here and four years ago is that the 'gee whiz' element of the Internet has ended," said Stephen Bromberg, executive editor for Fox News Channel's Web site, "People now just expect to get the news from the Web site.'



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## Don't lead young lady 'astray'

Just so the "thoughtful and civic-minded young lady" ("'We didn't elect him,"
July 10) isn't led astray:

■ George Bush was elected by a majority of voting Americans; but even if he wasn't, it doesn't matter. Several presi dents have lost the popular vote and still become president. Our system was designed that way for a reason. Our Founding Fathers did not trust pure democracy. which is why we have a representative republic. Just look at the famous red/blue map of the last election and you'll realize

why an Electoral College is important ■ What good will and cooperation of the world have ever existed without us paying dollars for it? This great country has the power to rule this world with the press of a button but it chooses not to. Hundreds of thousands of Americans died in the last century to free this world from tyranny, yet Britain seems to be our only trusted friend. Russia, France, the United Nations, stealing food from the mouths of Iraqi chil dren and at the same time actively opposing us as we try to coax the world to abide

by U.N. resolutions toward Iraq. Is that

good will? ■ If one wants to speak of lost opportunities, I don't think the Bush administration should be held accountable; definitely President Carter for his near destruction of the CIA and the fall of Iran during his administration; possibly President Reagan for his "measured responses"; maybe Bush Senior for not following through after Desert Storm: most definitely President Clinton for his behavior and missed opportunities at capturing Osama bin Laden. The current administration has killed and captured more terrorists than all the others combined. Imagine if the others had done half as much.

■ What police state? No one has passed any laws lately to infringe on my second amendment rights. People complaining about the last election aren't in jail for treason. I haven't seen any weirdos like the Branch Davidians burned alive lately and I think Ruby Ridge is safe. The only citizens who are scared, that I have seen, are the Hollywood types.

■ Bill Gates is a billionaire. He probably got a bigger tax cut than I did. Guess what, Bill Gates donated more money to charity last year than I will make in my life time.

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He probably paid more taxes last year than I will pay in my life time. He employs more people than all the units I have served in for the last 19 years. Those employees buy things with their salaries from other companies that hire other people. I'm glad the "rich" got a tax break last year. Do you honestly think government could have bought us out of the damage 9/11 did to our economy?

To the letter writer: I have an idea on how to relieve your stress about our government and my stress from realizing I have been risking my life for the last 19 years to protect your interests. Find a better country with a better president than this one ... then move there

Loyd Anderson Mannheim, Germany

## Voters still part of process

In regard to "'We didn't elect him'" (July 10), the letter writer gave the 12-year-old girl some bad information on our electing George W. Bush as president. He told her that we didn't elect Bush, the Electoral College did. This implies that the American voters have no say in the process. That is totally wrong.

Our votes determine how the Electoral College casts votes. It doesn't make any difference whether you win the popular vote: The states with the most electoral votes can carry an election without the winner getting the popular vote. It is the system by which we have always elected our presi-

dents. So the truth is, we the people elected Bush to be our president using the system set up in our Constitution. All the "sour grapes" in the world are not going to

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## Girl's views deserve respect

change that.

In "'We didn't elect him'" (July 10), the writer responds to a 12-year-old girl, a true American patriot, with a mean-spirited and condescending letter dripping with sarcasm. Her letter questioned all of the insults and accusations against her presi-dent. His "response" simply offered more of the same in a failed attempt to sound more intellectual than a 12-year-old. He attacks our electoral process (apparently it is flawed when it doesn't work in his favor) and engages in wacky conspiracy theories and insults that would make Michael Moore proud.

What is surprising is that it appears that the young writer seems to possess a level of maturity and awareness of facts not demonstrated by the writer who responded to her. He could have responded with-out communicating his admitted personal contempt for President Bush. He could have expressed himself without paraphrasing the hate-filled enemy that we are fighting in Iraq and elsewhere, thereby eerily unding just like them.

He either chose not to restrain himself is incapable of doing so, or he doesn't know how. Any one of these situations demonstrates a lack of maturity and responsibility. He failed to write with the poise and professionalism demonstrated by the young writer in "Bush needs our support" in June 24.

I applaud the young writer for her courage in speaking out and for doing so re-sponsibly. She has inspired me to encourage my daughter to read letters to the editor as a summer project.

The writer who responded to the

12-year-old can stay in Europe where he can comfortably stew in his insults, contempt and conspiracy theories. We grown folks, 12-year-olds and all, have a great nation to defend

Staff Sot Jim Quetel Camp Courtney, Okinawa



















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## **OPINION**

## What newspapers are saying at home

The following editorial excerpts are se-lected from a cross section of newspapers throughout the United States. The editorials are provided by The Associated Press and other stateside syndicates

### Acting all high and mighty The Bellingham (Wash.) Herald

It's difficult to see what good could come from federal prosecution of an emaciated cancer patient who needs a pot brownie to keep her dinner down. It's equally difficult to see why the U.S. House of Representa-tives is seeking to limit states' rights by overriding laws that allow the use of medical marijuana

A 268-148 House vote July 7 approved a measure to allow the federal government to continue prosecuting people who use medi-cal marijuana where it is allowed by state

Washington state voters approved a citizen initiative allowing for the use of medical marijuana by more than a 2-to-1 margin percent in 1998

Our system of government clearly allows Our system of government clearly anows federal laws to take precedence over state laws; however, this crusade led by Republi-cans, the party dedicated to limited govern-ment and states' rights, seems both hypocritical and out of step with the people's larger

Last year, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco ruled that the federal law outlawing marijuana should not apply to people using it on a doctor's recommenda-The Bush administration appealed and the U.S. Supreme Court agreed [this month] to hear the case.

The high court refused to hear a case brought by the Justice Department that would have punished doctors who discussed with their patients the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes

This is not only a matter of states' rights. it's a matter of national priorities and person-

### Work on better recordkeeping TimesDaily, Florence, Ala.

Today's Hispanics, like the Europeans before them, are coming to America to im-prove their lots in life. Work is plentiful, though most of the jobs they fill are grueling. The majority of them make a good living compared to their counterparts back home One reason is because most don't pay in-

come or property taxes. Since they are undocumented aliens, state and federal governments have no records of them. Employers contribute significantly to the problem. Most know that an illegal immigrant will work for whatever wage the boss sets and not complain.

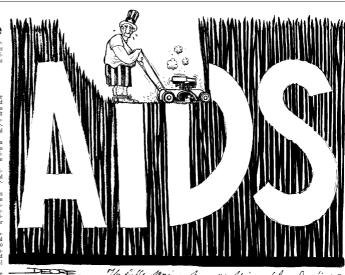
It's unrealistic to think the influx of illegal immigrants can be stopped. Not only is it lo-gistically and financially impractical, the politics of corporate profits and votes must be factored into the scenario. Anyone who lives and works in this country has an obligation to pay their fair share of the cost.

That means paying taxes, which employers have an obligation to deduct from pay-checks. Enforcing the tax codes is more feasible - and practical than expecting any real reform in immigration laws soon. Enforcing tax codes would also go a long way to ward easing the burden immigrants are placing on schools and hospitals

### Fill CIA director post now The (Cleveland) Plain Dealer

Why, at this time of repeatedly proclaimed peril, is the most important office in our national intelligence apparatus in the hands of an acting director? Former CIA Dieorge Tenet officially left the posi tion on July

The argument for waiting until after the election is primarily twofold: First, were President Bush to put forward a nominee now, the antagonistic political climate might result in congressional deadlock until after



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November anyway: second, should Democratic nominee-presumptive John Kerry win, he has said he will reorganize the CIA and create a directorate of national intelligence that might absorb the current top spy

If the national security is as imperiled as a different ranking member of the Bush administration each week says it is, there is no excuse for delaying on political grounds. And, should Kerry prevail, that situation can be addressed then

### **Discrimination: Bad investment** The Post-Standard, Syracuse, N.Y.

If Morgan Stanley had taken seriously the sexual discrimination charges of a female employee, perhaps the Wall Street investment bank would not have ended up settling a lawsuit with the government [this month] and agreeing to write a \$54 million check.

But the firm chose to ignore bond seller Allison Schieffelin's complaints that she had been passed over for promotions. She was eventually fired and filed a complaint with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. The agency filed a suit on behalf of her and more than 300 other women at the firm. The company was accused of de-nying promotions, offering all-male outings with clients and allowing female employees to be subjected to groping and other improper behavior. Morgan Stanley decided to settle. ... Schieffelin was awarded \$12 million, with \$40 million set aside for other female employees and \$2 million for diversity pro-

One of the government's lawyers said the case should "send a message to employees everywhere that allegations of sexual dis-crimination should be taken seriously." In truth, that message should have been received long ago.

### Pols pull to get Latinos to polls The Patriot-News, Harrisburg, Pa.

Everyone seems to be competing for the Latino community's attention these days.

In the last [month] alone, NBC championed its Spanish-language Telemundo chan-nel as the "biggest thing we've got going," and both President Bush and Sen. John Kerry began airing translations of their ads on Spanish-language television and radio.

While many recognize the potential of the

Hispanic-American market, it's a lot trickier to ensure that you actually appeal to its mem-bers. Since NBC acquired Telemundo in 2001, It has been chasing the success of Univision, which controls 75 percent of the Spanish-language programming market. .. This fall, Telemundo will change its ap-proach and launch its own telenovelas that are written specifically about the Hispanic-American experience

On the political front, Bush and Kerry need to adopt the new Telemundo mentality and create pieces specifically for Latinos. . . . The campaigns would be wiser to create ads encouraging Latinos to vote and telling them where to vote and how their voice is integral in American politics. The hard truth is that Latinos have not been going to the polls.

Some in the Latino population claim politi-cians do not speak their language or reach out to their communities. But herein lies a Catch-22: [I]n order to get politicians' notice, their community has to go to the polls.

For the Latinos, it comes down to an army of one - each Latino voter making the effort to get to the polls on Nov. 2.

### Asking for more admissions The Times-Picayune, New Orleans

The idea that one's final semester in high school is irrelevant to college admissions committees is as pervasive as the idea that a college student is guaranteed all A's if a roommate commits suicide. And it is equally

Admissions officials at the nation's selective colleges say they do pay attention to what a student does after the application process is over. Unfortunately, some talented high school students are finding that out the hard way.

During the summer thousands of the nation's prospective college freshmen get let-ters from admissions officials asking them to explain why their grades plummeted during their final semester. An admissions dean at Texas Christian University calls them "Fear of God" letters. Some students are asked to explain in detail why their grades dropped. Others are informed that their "ad-mission to TCU is in jeopardy." ...

[F]ar too many students believe that the grade they get in a course is more important than the knowledge that's acquired. Still one wishes that students who've compiled en semesters of excellent grades would have enough pride and intellectual curiosity to keep doing well, even after they've won ad-mission to their favorite colleges.

## Explain progress against AIDS The Seattle Times

Billions of dollars have been spent and bil-lions more promised in the worldwide battle against HIV. It is critical to find out which investments are making the most difference and which are being foolishly wasted.

Waste and inefficiencies were on the agen-da at the 15th International AIDS Conference in Thailand but the conversation large ly centered around a single issue - duplication of donor efforts — and pointed to little in the way of corrective measures. Too bad Numerous countries have escalated spend-ing, including our own five-year, \$15 billion strategy. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, calling on other donors to increase their financial commitment, has added \$50 million to the \$100 million it has given to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

What's needed now is a strong evaluation process. A popular but shortsighted view is that since people with HIV are living longer and others have been prevented from getting the disease, something is going right Yes, but what? It is important to know the value of the resources being spent on this pandemic. It is not heartless to request that we not simply do some good in the battle against the spread of HIV, but that we do the best good our money can buy. A framework is needed. At best, it should

offer a uniform way of analyzing the strings of successes and failures and coming up with inferences that best help us understand health benefits versus costs

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### Generous payback

CA SAN FRANCISCO — Don is giving up a life if crime, drugs and booze, and giving back to the community — the art community.

The former burglar, crack cocaine smoker, state prisoner and alcoholic has donated \$10,000 to the art gallery where he had panhandled for the last few years.

The man — identified only as Don — inherited \$187,000 from his long-estranged mother who died a year ago. Executors of her estate tracked him down a month ago through his Social Security number and help from local social workers.

One of the first things Don did was show his gratitude to Blue Room Gallery owner Paul Mahder for treating him with respect. "When I had a heart attack and

"When I had a heart attack and wound up in the hospital a year ago, who was the only person to visit me? Paul. And when I needed a doorway to sleep in over the past couple years, who let me? Paul." Don said. "He treated me like a human being. That's something you don't forget."

Both men burst into tears when Don presented his check.

## Big job, little man

ND GRAND FORKS
Seven-month-old Caleb
Gowan had some big shoes to fill.
The baby boy was the best man
at his uncle's wedding.

Jeremy Gowan was to be the best man at his brother's wedding, but when he was called to duty in Iraq earlier this month, the bride and groom had to find a stand-in.

Josh Gowan and his bride, Tami Osowski, decided Jeremy's son, Caleb, could do the job. An American flag waving on the front laws was the only clue that

front lawn was the only clue that something was missing at the Oslo, Minn., wedding. Caleb, who can sit and is starting

caleb, who can sit and is starting to crawl, was carried up the aisle and spent the ceremony in the arms of groomsman Chris Gowan.

### **Extended sentence**

PA ALLENTOWN — A 17-year-old Allentown boy who threw a chunk of ice off an overpass, killing a minivan passenger, will spend six more months in a secure juvenile facility, a judge ruled.

Dennis Gumbs will be recommitted to Alternative Rehabilitation Communities in Franklin County. Another hearing will be scheduled in six months to review his placement, Lehigh County Judge Lawrence J. Brenner ruled Wednesday.

Gumbs has been in the facility since August, when Brenner found Gumbs delinquent of third-degree murder and reckless endangerment.

### Off the hook

TX BRYAN — A Bryan civic leader who left his 6-year-old daughter along a highway in August has been acquitted of abandoning and endangering her with intent to return.

Roy Flores, 43, told authorities that his intentions were not to abandon his "fearless and determined" child, but to teach her a lesson after she tried to run away.



The decision to acquit him came after more than five hours of deliberation and a near mistrial when jurors sent out a note stating it was unlikely they would be able to reach a consensus, the Bryan-College Station Eagle reported.

### Gas survey continues

SALT LAKE CITY — A federal judge refused Wednesday to halt a natural gas survey alongside an eastern Utah canyon that contains a wealth of ancient Indian ruins and rock art.

U.S. District Judge Emmet Sullivan threw out a lawsuit filed by The Wilderness Society and other groups and upheld the Bureau of Land Management's decision to let a Denver company look for an estimated 66 billion cubic feet of natural gas pesserves

While Sullivan was making his decision, Bill Barrett Corp. was able in late May to begin a seismic survey involving the use of blast holes and heavy "vibroseis" trucks, which pound the earth looking for likely gas traps deep underground.

### **Explosive situation**

PA ALLENTOWN — Police closed streets and evacuated homes, paralyzing rush hour traffic, when an employee discovered a case of dynamite at a salvage yard.

An employee at E. Schneider & Sons Inc. found three steel boxes



Finishing touches

Steve Bass, one of three set designers working on the Democratic National Convention, works on drawings of the convention stage near some balloons which will be lifted into the convention center's ceiling rafters.

with wooden linings that he believed might have contained explosives and called emergency services. One box contained dyna-

mite.

The Allentown Fire Department's bomb squad doused at least 60 sticks of dynamite with diesel fuel to neutralize them, then burned them on the site, sending a cloud of thick black smoke above the scrap yard.

## Not related

MADISON — The City Council narrowly rejected a plan to make Madison the sister city of Rafah, a violence-wracked Palestinian city, after a marathon session that ran into the early morning Wednesday.

The nonpartisan council in this predominantly liberal university town voted 9-8 for the plan, but that fell short of the 11 votes needed to pass.

More than 100 speakers testified, with some saying the proposal was a political slap at Israel and others calling it an important step to help Rafah's residents. The city, on the southern edge of the Gaza Strip, has been the scene of frequent violent conflict with Israel.

## Offered double duty

PA ALTAMONT — A man who's worked as a part-time police officer for different municipalities now has been hired as a full-time officer — by two departments.

Frackville Borough hired Livergood as a full-time officer at a special meeting Tuesday. Then that night he was hired as a full-time officer by West Mahanoy Township.

The Frackville job would pay a starting salary of about \$25,000 a year, Police Chief John M. Morgan Jr. said. The West Mahanoy job would pay about \$23,920 a year.

## **Back in politics**

WA SEATTLE — Judith Billings, who resigned as Washington state school superintendent in 1996 after learning that she had become infected with the AIDS virus from artificial insemination, announced Wednesday that she is running to get her old job back.

She said her HIV infection will not prevent her from campaigning, and her doctor approves.

### Man on the run

SYRACUSE — A 36-year-old man led police on a brief car chase, driving on sidewalks, through parking lots and even against traffic on a busy boulevard, so he wouldn't get caught with stolen library books.

"The officers were a little taken back when they found out what the deal was. They couldn't believe it," said Syracuse police spokesman Sgt. Tom Connellan, who added police broke off pursuit because the situation Sunday became too dan-

gerous.

There were no injuries, and — even more amazingly, Connellan said — no property damage.

Byron Haynes of Syracuse was to be arraigned Monday in Syracuse City Court on misdemeanor charges of reckless endangerment, petit larceny and reckless driving, as well as numerous traffic infractions.



The price is right

Sales clerk Brenda Elder of Gainesboro, Va., uses a price gun to attach orange price stickers to Jesus statues for sale at Nalls Farm Market in Berryville. Va.



The hard way Anthony Osisek and his son, Mitchell Rowe, 8, push a couch across a street in Kokomo, Ind. Two of Osisek's other children, Tiffany Brodewski, 3, and Wayne Rowe, 2, are sitting on the couch.



Lounging Jackson Jones, flight mechanic for Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry's camarine to depart from Nantucket. Mass.



Off the deep end

RIPES JULY 25, 2004

Bradley Boling, 14, of Bowling Green, Ky., dives off the 3-meter board at Southland Family Club.



Waning light

A bird perched high in a tree watches the



Splashing around
A young swimmer splashes in a
waterfall to cool off at the pool at
Carl Levin Park in Harker Heights,
Texas.



Swimming in seafood Tom Monahan, right, and Ed Williams enjoy steamed crabs in a tent during the annual J. Millard Tawes Crab & Clam Bake in Crisfield, Md.

## | Roofman Robber loose

NC POLKTON — A one-time U.S. Army reservist from Concord, Calif, who gained infamy as the "Roofman Robber," dropping through the roofs of McDonald's restaurants around the country as smoothly as soft-serve landing in a cone, is again on the run after escaping from a North Carolina prison.

Jeffery Manchester, 32, is suspected of at least 40 robberies at McDonald's and other businesses from California to Virginia during a two-year spree that ended with his arrest in 2000. In each case, a masked gumman drilled through he roof and surprised employees before the fast-food place's opening or after its closing.

But Manchester has not been seen since escaping June 15 from Brown Creek Correctional Institution in Polkton, N.C., where he was serving a 45-year sentence for kidnapping and armed robbery for two McDonald's heists in that state.

### Natural gas hike

NE ALLIANCE — Natural gas bills will increase \$2 beginning next month in 16 Nebraska towns

Kinder Morgan Energy Partners announced Wednesday that it would be allowed to recover \$1.17 million in legal fees as part of a settlement in a long-running natural gas contract dispute.

Under terms of the agreement, the Houston-based company will be reimbursed for the \$550,000 it paid to replenish the Municipal Natural Gas Regulation Revolving Loan Fund. The fund provides state money to assist municipalities involved in rate cases.

### **Energizing jolt**

MADISON — A Madison man who was struck by lightning this week says he feels "lighter and 100 years younger" than he did before Tuesday's accident.

"Tm feeling like my body is light. It's the best I've probably felt as far as energy in 10 years," said John Corson, 56, the day after he was struck by lightning while working outside his home.

Corson thought the afternoon

thunder-and-lightning storm had passed his home, and had gone outside to work on a renovation project when the lightning hit him.

Corson, who has had three cardiac surgeries, spent eight hours at Redington-Fairview General Hospital after the accident while doctors tested his blood for any effect on his heart.

## Victim jailed over shots

CA SAN FRANCISCO — A man who wrestled a burgar's gun away and shot him with it as he fled has been jailed on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon

Harvey Williams, 29, arrived home Tuesday to find the burglar at the door of his apartment. The men wrestled in a stairway before spilling out onto the sidewalk, where the gun fell to the ground, according to police.

"At that point, the burglar started running down the street," police spokesman Dewayne Tully said. "Mr. Williams picked up the gun and started firing at him, hit-

ting him."

The burglar was in critical but stable condition Wednesday with a

### Bail iumper

FORT WORTH — For the second time, a woman awaiting sentencing on felony charges of abandoning her twin toddlers on a Lake Worth road last year has jumped bail.

And authorities say Christy Leann Radacy, 24, may have fled to Europe again.

A district court judge signed three felony arrest warrants after Radacy apparently cut off her court-ordered leg monitor Sunday.

Radacy pleaded guilty this month to charges stemming from her 22-month-old girls being left on the road on May 26, 2003.

### Fierv rescue

VA REMINGTON—Three people rescued a man from his burning car after it collided with another on U.S. 29 early Wednesday, state police said.

Christopher Cota III, 43, of Midland, was in the intensive care unit at Culpeper Regional Hospital, Trooper Ken Blank said.

Blank said Cota's car was going north in the southbound lanes of the highway about 1:30 am. and burst into flames after a head-on collision on a curve with an oncoming car. Cota will be charged with driving under the influence, Blank said.

### Stuck in the mud

VA CROTON-ON-HUDSON — At least she got to see a couple of great blue herons.

Joan Indusi, a 52-year-old schoolteacher from Ossining, got stuck in a mudhole on the Hudson River shoreline for more than an hour Tuesday when she left a footpath in Croton Point Park in search of feathered friends.

"I never believed you could get stuck to the point where you literally could not move," she said Wednesday, "but I was up to my knees and I was trying to lift my leg up and I couldn't."

Luckily, she was carrying a cell phone along with her birding binoculars and was able to call police. She was unable to rell the officeexactly where she was, however, so they drove to the park and sounded a siren periodically. She would then tell them if they were getting closer or farther away.

## Airport hijinx

GA ATLANTA — An airline passenger wearing only a pair of pajama bottoms stole a baggage tractor at the city's main airport and drove it onto an active runway, police said.

Atlanta police say Robert W. Buzzell, 31, had walked out an exit door that had an alarm at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

Flights were not affected by the incident, which took place before 6 a.m. Wednesday, airport officials said.

The man was stopped by mechanics, who asked him for an employee identification card. When he could not provide one, they escorted him to an office and called police.

Photos and stories from The Associated



Red carpet fashion commentator Joan Rivers, right, checks out her daughter Melissa's outfit as they arrive for the 54th annual Primetime Emmy Awards in 2002. Joan and Melissa Rivers' move from El Entertainment Television to TV Guide Channel may keep them off the red carpet at September's Emmy Awards.

## Days of Rivers' Emmy dishing may be at end

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Joan and Melissa Rivers' move from E! Entertainment Television to TV Guide Channel may keep them off the red carpet at September's Emmy Awards.

The comedian and her daughter had been expected to provide TV Guide Channel with the fashion commentary and celebrity interviews they were known for on the Elcable channel

But E! has an agreement with the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences for exclusive live cable coverage of the Emmy arrivals scene this year and next, an academy spokeswoman said Thursday.

spokeswoman said Thursuay. The statement cited the academy's "long-term and multifaceted relationship" with E! and the channel's support of the technical Emmy Awards and the academy foundation. "We are currently looking for other options to accom-

"We are currently looking for other options to accommodate TV Guide Channel's interests," the academy said. TV Guide Channel said in a statement that it was continuing to explore all of its options regarding the Emmys.

## Second 'CSI' actor back on board

NEW YORK — Actors George Eads and Jorja Fox will both be back on the job next week at "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" after learning a lesson in hardball network rolltics

Eads reached an agreement Friday to return to television's most popular drama after he was fired for skipping work in what CBS believed was a contract dispute, CBS entertainment spokesman Chris Ender said. He rejoins Jorja Fox, who came to her own agreement to come back on Thursday.

### Blond breakup

NEW YORK — The party's over for Paris Hilton and her Backstreet Boys beau Nick Carter.

The couple are no longer together, Hilton's publicist told The Associated Press Friday. The 23-year-old Hilton hotel heiress/reality TV star, and Carter, of the Backstreet Boys, had dated for seven months.

From The Associated Press

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18:00	Great Outdoor Games	SportsCenter	Late Edition Prime-	ESPNews	Music Word	SportsCenter
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19:00	ESPNews	Sports Reporters		Real Sports	King of the Hill	Sports Reporters
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## Walter Scott's Personality

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MGM production chief Irving Thalberg left behind a wife, actress Norma Shearer, when he died in 1936, What became of her? — Cindy Beck, Houston, Texas

Shearer fumbled her career after Thalberg died. In AShearer rumpieu ner career and America Ashearer rumpieu ner career and 1942, she wed Martin Arrougé, a French ski instructor, and retired. Over the years, she suffered from depression and lost her sight and memory. She died in 1983 at 80.

What's the status of Kevin Spacey's biopic about the late singer Bobby Darin? - Mary Lou Kendle, Vadnais Heights, Minn.

ASpacey, 45, a trained singer, has re-corded "Mack the Knife" and Darin's other hits for "Beyond the Sea," due out in November. "This is the realization of a lifelong dream, says Spacey, who also directed the film. It co-stars Kate Bosworth, 21, as Darin's wife actress Sandra Dee

OWho said this about Las Vegas: "They've got dancing girls and drinking and wild parties and shows here This is no place for a Presbyterian, so I no longer am one"? - William B. De-Pass Jr., Columbia, S.C.

AHal Holbrook combined a few Twain quotes to come up with that line for his show "Mark Twain To-night!," but the subject was Virginia City, Nev. Vegas was just a watering hole in Twain's time.

QI share your concern about Whitney Houston, who seems trapped in an abusive relationship with Bobby Brown. What do you suggest? — T.M., Sacramento, Calif. AThat she take a tip from an older and wiser diva, Tina Turner, 65, who dumped bad-boy hubby Ike in 1976. Her career soared, and she formed a lasting relationship with German record exec Erwin Bach, 48. Tina will be coming out of retirement to shoot a Merchant-Ivory film, "The Goddess." We'd love to see Whitney back onscreen, too.

Actor. director and now singe

memoirs, "My Life," in July.

Kevin Spacey arrives at the Lon

don launch party for Bill Clinton's

What has Ben Affleck said about the J.Lo-Marc Anthony nuptials? — Joy Pearson, New London, Conn.

An public, nada — except to say on British radio that it's a relief to be off the front pages. In private, Ben, 31, breathed a big sigh and moved on, his friends tell us. They say he's "just hangin' out" before shooting "Glory Road," a basketball film. Some of that hangin' time has been in his native Boston with Enza Sambataro. 26, a TV sales ren.

> AOL picked singer Lizzie West as one of Qits breakout artists of 2003. What has she done since then? - Delia D., Norfolk, Va.

She spent a year touring with Chris As spent a year touring with She spent a year touring with She saak and others. West, 31, also cut tracks used on "Alias" and "Third Watch." She's now debuting a new tune, "19 Miles to Baghdad." at clubs in New York and the tony Hamptons. With all the honchos sure to see West, we expect her career to heat

QSandra Day O'Connor, a conservative appointed to the Supreme Court by Ronald Reagan, has voted with her liberal colleagues lately. Isn't that strange? - Sam Roberts, Bend, Ore.

Not at all. Because they're appointed for life, justices are free to follow their consciences and often cast surprising votes. The most dramatic example was Earl Warren, a Republican governor nominated as chief justice by President Eisenhower in 1953. For 16 years, he presided over sweeping liberal changes in constitutional

QI don't regard Nicole Kidman as a natural comedienne. Why did Mel Brooks cast her as the sexy Ulla in the upcoming film of his Broadway hit "The Producers"? -Nancy V., Houston, Texas

Because, as talented as they are, Matthew Broderick A Because, as talented as they are, Mandell and Nathan Lane, who'll reprise their Broadway roles, aren't big enough stars to open a movie. Kidman, 37 - replacing Tony-winner Cady Huffman as Ulla - isn't the only Hollywood A-lister to step in for a lesser-known actor. Will Ferrell will play the nutty Nazi playwright Franz Liebkind, a role created on Broadway by Brad



Actor Ren Affleck's "hangin' out" time includes watching the Boston Red Sox play the Anaheim Angels in Anaheim, Calif.



Funny girl Tina Fey, shown in April at the premiere of her film "Mean Girls," says she is unsure who her new SNL Weekend Update cohost will be

How long has the adorable Tina Fey been on "Saturday Night Live"? And who will replace Jimmy Fal-lon as her Weekend Update co-host? - Edgar Shindelar. Charles City, Iowa

A"We're on summer hiatus now, and the only thing we've decided about a replacement for Jimmy is to procrastinate," says Fey, 34, who'll enter her eighth season as an SNL writer and fifth as a performer, "I think we'll decide about a week before we go on in September." Meanwhile, she's mulling over ideas for a follow-up to her hit film "Mean Girls," which cost \$17 million to make and has grossed more than \$80 million

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## **Sunday Horoscope**

like an all-hearing tape recorder that keeps track of our words. Everything you say has weight, even if it's just a passing comment. Mercury tries his best to bring us what we want in the time frame we want it, but we've got to do our part to communicate these desires consistently and Joyce Jillson

TODAY'S RIRTHDAY (July 25). Your creativity carries you to new ways of

living this year. August features a home purchase or sale. Sentember is a stellar time for your career. You'll finally feel you're getting

somewhere. Investments in October will bring dividends for years to come. Couples expand their families next June. Libra and Taurus are inspired

### ARIES (March 21-April 19). Make an extra effort to reach out

Do research, and catch up on your reading; you feel better in social situations when you are involved in current events. Something that was overlooked last week is given a sharper observation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Partners change your plans. Flow with it

Loved ones grant your requests because you're so easygoing with them.

More adventures will spring from your flexible attitude this afternoon. Tonight features success with the opposite sex.

## GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

You are bright and enthusiastic, so team up with people who appreciate these qualities. Ask others if there is anything you need to know to make your ride smoother. The answers are close at hand

## CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll prefer the company of a few

trusted companions instead of the excitement of a crowd, but no matter with whom or how many you do it, do get out and get social. Your words could change someone's life toniaht

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're so busy and active that there's no time to think about what bothered you so much just yesterday. Write off your worries as "so yesterday. Do take time out to relax tonight, or you'll get the week off to a slow

### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're smarter than some people seem to realize - this is because your modesty has kept them in the

Speak up, or better yet, when friends brag about you don't stop them! Just say, "Thank you." Aries is you



## can't be too careful. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

It's time for fantasy and having an absolute blast. You'll branch out and make new friends who will prove to be the kind of people you can insert successfully into almost any social situation. Good people like this are a

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're bigger than life today, and your popularity is on the rise as a result. Set several dates for the week. Consider making a permanent dietary change. A long-standing ailment could miraculously disap-

## CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

19). Relationships thrive when you put your attention toward making them grow. Of course, neglect has the opposite effect. So put grievances aside, and do something to strengthen the bonds of love.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're in the mood for a major change of pace, which might be accomplished by taking up an activity you've never done before - like parasailing or power yoga done to a disco beat. You'll catch the eye of a real charmer

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). A craving for authority comes over

The desperate need to be in charge may not be in your character, but when you see others fail, you can't help but want to help. You beautifully navigate complex family matters.

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## Frustration behind 'split hairs

vou.

A friend of mine often uses the phrase "split hairs" to mean argue over petty details. Where does this interesting expression come from?

We define the phrase "split hairs" as "to make oversubtle or trivial distinctions." As early as 1674, a writer lamented that "the great difficulty (is) so to behave oneself, as to split a hair between them, and never offend either of them." Back then, "split a hair" meant to divide something, as a single strand of hair, evenly so as to give an advantage to no one. To attempt to split something as small as a strand of hair evenly is not only an impossible but also a pointless endeavor. Hence, the phrase soon acquired an ironic reference to arguing over trivialities, and it began to be used dis-

Around 1768, an author decried the frustration of petty bickering, asserting "though we are obliged to split the hair, we need not quarter it." To this day, we often use the phrase to convey the futility of wasting time and effort on arguing over something as trivial as how to split a hair evenly

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## Worried about baby sharing bed with large grandmother

Dear Abby: I had a baby girl seven weeks ago. Her name is "Madison." My mother-in-law is here visiting from another country to help me. My problem is she insists on taking Madison into her bed with her at night so

I can sleep I prefer that our daughter sleep in her bassinet, because my mother-in-law weighs between 350 and 375 pounds, and I'm afraid she could accidentally roll over on the baby. When I asked her the other night to please use the bassinet, she waved her hand at me in a very disrespectful gesture, and then stomped into

her room with Madison I told my husband to tell her that I wanted my daughter in the bassinet and she told him to tell me to come in and get her Am I being ridiculous to be afraid? I never have Madison in my bed, because I'm afraid of

rolling over on her. - Scared New Mom in Florida Dear Scared: You are not ridiculous; you are a conscientious new mother, and your con-

cerns are valid. Stick to your guns, and if it means getting less help from your mother-in-law — so be it And stop asking your husband to intercede for you. This is be-

tween you and your moth er-in-law. If she waves her hand at you again, wave this item back at her and hand her her nlane ticket home

Dear Abby: I need advice. A

Dear Abby

former co-worker has invited me to her wedding. It's between her and her girlfriend. If I go, I'll have to take my 4-year-old son because I don't have a sitter. Part of me thinks I

should go and take him because they're a nice couple who have been together for seven years. They love each other, and it would be good for my son to learn that it's OK to be different. How-

ever, the other part of me thinks, "How am I going to answer the inevitable question, 'Mummy, why is that girl kissing the oth girl?" I know I could answer it with, "Because they love each other," but I think it's a bit of a leap for a 4-year-old. Then again I'm thinking if I don't take him, I am breeding intolerance and hate - and that is not my aim

Should I go, or just send a gift and my best wishes?

— Help! in Jacksonville, Fla. Dear Help!: Whether to take him or not depends on whether there will be other children at the wedding. If he's the only child

there, he could be bored. If other children are included, he will probably regard it as a nice party and nothing more. Should he ask why one person is kissing the other, tell the truth — because they love each other. You don't have to deliver a 15-minute lecture on tolerance. Besides, by the time the wedding cake is served, he'll be more interested in dessert and playing with his contemporaries than any life lesson. Trust me on that.

Dear Abby: When an invitation to a party states, "No gifts, please," do people really mean it? I have heard people mention how much they got after such parties, who gave what, and how cheap "so-and-so" was.

I thought "no gifts" really meant no gifts. If you come giftless, are you in the wrong? - Confused Partygoer

in Michigan DEAR CONFUSED: "No gifts" means exactly what it says.

People who describe their guests as "cheap" and complain that what was given to them wasn't good enough are petty gossips whose parties you should

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## Husband's angry outbursts leave woman seeking help

Dear Annie: I am a married woman with a toddler. The problem is my husband, "Perry, doesn't seem to have any control over his emotions. Any small annoyance, such as dropping a bowl of soup onto the floor or hitting his shin on the open dish washer, and he will blow

up and lose his temper. He has never hit me, nor do I feel like he ever would. Instead, he slams cabinet doors, yells and

Last night, Perry dropped a plastic container filled with chili. He began barking, "HELP! HELP!" getting louder and louder as our son watched. I started

cleaning up the mess but Perry's ongoing hollering and nasty comments made me feel so stupid that I grabbed my son and retreated to the bath-

We've been together for four years. Normally, when Perry is not angry, he makes me feel beautiful and intelligent. He doesn't vell on purpose. He has been to therapy for his emotional abuse and is taking an antidepressant. But this behavior happens so frequently that I don't know how much longer I can hang on. I am exhausted from hearing the barrage of obscenities and hate.

whether it is directed at me intentionally or not. I love Perry dearly and don't want to leave him, but I can't take much more

- Melancholy in Memphis Dear Melancholy: If Perry is still exploding on a regular basis, in spite of past therapy

and medication, he Annie's Mailbox needs more help. Either the medication isn't effective, or he needs additional therapy and possibly anger manage ment classes. Insist that Perry return to his therapist or ask his doctor for another referral. You also should discuss your concerns with his theranist so Perry can work on those

specific issues. If Perry doesn't follow through, you should consider a separation.

Dear Annie: You printed a letter from "Distraught and Alone," a sophomore whose parents were "sticking their heads in the sand" every time she wanted to discuss sex or birth control.

I have a 14-year-old daughter who is a freshman in high school. I thought I was cool and understanding, but I, too, had my head in the sand. Last week, my daugh-ter told me she thought she was

Talk about a rude awakening. I have no more illusions about what kids do these days. I wish my daughter had been like "Distraught" and talked to me about birth control before having sex.

The parents of "Distraught" should read this and understand their daughter is acting very responsibly by wanting to save them the heartbreak I just had to endure and the choices I had to make. And to "Distraught" Kudos to you for being so level headed and wise at your young age. Keep in mind, however, that birth control does not protect you against sexually transmitted

diseases. Good luck.

— No Ostrich in New York Dear Ostrich: Thank you for the words of caution. Here's one more.

Dear Annie: I wish you had suggested that "Distraught" (and her mother) go to a Planned Parenthood affiliate She can get birth control information free of

- Dorothy Morris. Board President, Planned Parenthood of Hawaii

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The Rev. Rickey Rushing, a former drag racer who won each of the three previous Faster Pastor races, reaches for his steering wheel after strapping in for practice at the Oglethorpe Speedway Park in Pooler, Ga.

# Race to be the Faster Pastor

## Stock-car race pulls preachers to the pole

BY RUSS BYNUM The Associated Press

POOLER, Ga. — The '78 Chevy Monte Carlo slides out of turn four spinning 180 degrees as other racers whiz past on the slippery dirt track, but this novice driver doesn't scare easily when he's fueled by faith.

"The thing about us pastors is, if something were to happen to one of us, we all know where we're going," said the Rev. Jim Wilson.

Wilson.
A few practice laps allowed Wilson and fellow clergymen to rev
up for Faster Pastor 2004. a

stock-car race that pulls preachers from the pulpit to the pole at Oglethorpe Speedway Park near Savannah.

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The July 16 race, in its fourth year, let ministers strut a bit of machismo while raising money for their churches. While most are complete beginners on the track these 13 devout

drivers say they won't be turning the other cheek when they compete for the checkered flag.

And their congregations wouldn't have it any other way.

"It's like fans within any other sport — they're serious about their pastor winning," said the Rev. Rickey Rushing, a former drag racer. "I really like to win. I do my best and whatever turns out, turns out."
Oglethorpe Speedway general

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manager Ted Austad said he got the idea for Faster Pastor from a fellow promoter in Kentucky. While many preachers were reluctant to join Austad's first race in 2001, now he says he has to turn some away. "It's kind of rebellious. almost."

"It's kind of rebellious, almost," Austad said. "They live lives that are perfect, at least in the eyes of their congregations, and maybe this is an opportunity for them to do something that isn't, so to say, Godly."

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Local racers who normally compete at the raceway on Friday nights loan their cars — mostly

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Rev. Doug McCart

Faster Pastor competitor

'70s and '80s models with top speeds of about 85 mph to the ministers

to the ministers and give them some rudimentary coaching.

"He was driving in first gear for the first couple of laps," speedway regular Tim Ysbrand said after waving Wilson off the track for a couple of tips. "He finally

got it up into sec-

ond before he came in. But they've got to learn."
There's no purse up for grabs, but churches that enter their pastors get to keep \$6 of every \$10 telect they call. Local transfer area.

tors get to keep \$6 of every \$10 ticket they sell. Last year's race drew nearly 3,000, Austad said.

But some churches have refused to embrace Faster Pastor, equating auto racing with sin as

well as speed.

"They feel like if they come out here, they're setting a bad example with the drinking and cussing



The Rev. Larry Strickland, a Baptist minister and Oglethorpe Speedway's track chaplain, demonstrates how each congregation reacts as their pastors race.

and fighting," said the Rev. Larry Strickland, a Baptist minister and Oglethorpe's track chaplain. "We aren't out here to be a part of that. We're here to change parts of

The Rev. Tom Osborne said Faster Pastor has helped jump-start the men's ministry at his church. His men's group has been working on a donated Monte Carlo to get it ready for Osborne to drive in regular dirt races next

"I don't want guys to think I'm in some ivory tower," Osborne said. "If we can reach some men and draw them in through dirt-track racing, why aren't we?" Austad admits some preachers

Austad admits some preachers have elected not to return after previous Faster Pastor events. Though the race is kept short—10 laps around the half-mile track—to minimize wrecks, the dirtrack can at times be as treacher-

Others, such as the Rev. Doug McCart, acknowledge being thrill junkies as well as theologians. McCart normally rides motorcycles, and he finished second in

last year's race.
"I've always loved cars, trucks boats, motorcycles," McCart said "I'm not one of those sissy preachers."

# Survey finds fewer Protestants in U.S.

The Associated Pre

The United States will no longer be a majority Protestant nation in years to come, due to a precipitous decline in affiliation with many Protestant churches, a new survey has found.

Between 1993 and 2002, the share of Americans who said they were Protestant dropped from 63 percent to \$2 percent, after years of remaining generally stable, activation of the share of remaining the stabe, activation of the share of the sh

The study was based on three decades of religious identification questions in the General Social Survey, which the opinion center conducts to measure public

The United States "has been seen as white and Protestant," said Tom Smith, director of the General Social Survey. "We're not going to be majority Protestant any longer."

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Protestant if they said they were members of a Protestant denomination, such as Episcopal Church or Southern Baptist Convention. The category included members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and members of independent Protestant churches.

Among the reasons for the decline were the large number of young people and adults leaving denominations as the number of non-Protestant immigrants increased, comprising a greater share of the population. Also, a lower percentage are being raised Protestant, Smith said. Smith said it's also possible that

some former Protestants are now identifying themselves only as "Christian."

The Roman Catholic popula-

tion has remained relatively stable over the period, making up about 25 percent of the U.S. popu-

People who said they belonged to other religions — including Islam, Orthodox Christianity or Eastern faiths — increased from 3 percent to 7 percent between 1993 and 2002, while the share of people who said they were Jewish remained stable at just under 2 percent.

# Christian bands to rock the Olympics

BY BRIAN BOWERS Stars and Stripes

Stars and Stripes

ess — one of the hottest

Christian alternative rock bands
— will be playing for the world
next month, when it performs during the Olympic Games in Athens, Greece.
The band is grabbing attention

right now with "Sea of Faces," a song which describes how God sees each person as more than simply one in a million faces. This mid-tempo hit is actually atypical for a band known for driving guitars and blasting vocals. However, it

might offer the perfect message to a city packed with hun-

dreds of thousands of people from around the world.

Kutless will be part of two comcerts sponsored by Athens during the Aug. 13-29 games. The first will be Aug. 27 in the city center at the Omonia Square. The second will be Aug. 28 at the base of the Acropolis at the Monastirak! An Aug. 29 concert at the Koropi will be for more than 2,500 missionaries from around the world. If you aren't stationed at Souda

If you aren't stationed at Souda Bay, Crete, or the U.S. Embassy in Athens — or have tons of leave and cash — a trip to the Greek capital is probably out of the question. You can still check the band out online at www.air1.com one of the best Christian rock sta-

tions and worth checking out.
On the Web: www.kutless.com.

Disc tip

I suspect a few nostalgic folks will consider grabbing "Veggie Rocks," in which some of Christian music's biggest artists offer new versions of the odd little ditties from "VeggieTales" videos.

Some of the disc's tunes are pretty good, such as the O.C. Supertones' revved-up "I Can Be Your Friend" and Relient Ks peractive "The Pirates Who Don't Do Anything." Others are just plain fun, such as Steven Curtis Chapman and his sons Will and Caleb on "I Love My

Today's praise

Lips."

However, a few miss the mark—possibly because the artists didn't dive into the goofiness in true Vegawo conduction and the first Sidies' "Stand".

Overall, the CD has some novelty value but most of the tracks aren't for repeat listening. Or at least that's what I thought until my 10-year-old sons got their hands on it Veggie fans since infancy, they practically wore it out. Perhaps the best market for this disc consists of children moving from kids' fare to move grown-up Christian music. On the Web: www.veegierocks.com to

Today's Praise is a roundup of news and reviews from the contemporary Christian music industry. It appears twice a month on the Religion page.

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## YOUR MONEY

## Spouses get jobs with a little help from friends

Susie Besaw, from the book "The Savvy Sailor's Spouse," is new to the military lifestyle but is eager to learn more about how to manage her family and her new lifestyle through the monthly Family Readiness Group meetings of her hushand Jake's new command Last week. Susie went to the Spring Social

n Monday, I started going through the employment ads in the newspaper and making some calls. After reading a few of the ads, I realized I didn't have an up-to-date résumé or a con-densed list of my qualifications, schooling and experience. I then pulled out an area map to see where some of these companies with jobs advertised were located. I couldn't commute too far or I wouldn't be able to pick up or even have dinner with Jake None of the database jobs seemed to be close to the base.

To make matters worse, the front page of the local section said there was a downturn in the technology industry in San Diego. Just when I thought I had everything under control, it overwhelming

To try to make myself feel better, I dug into a pint of my favorite ice cream, rum raisin. Rum raisin ice cream is my comfort food, but it didn't make me feel any better this time.

seemed

I tried calling Maggie to ask for her advice, but noticed her car was gone Where could I find a job

in a strange area? I couldn't think of anybody else to ask. I reminded myself to slow down because when I stress out, I don't think as

Then when I relaxed, it came to me. Maybe Nancy Alston could

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I picked up the phone and dialed. A receptionist picked up. "Fleet and Family Support Center," she said.

"Nancy Alston please," I asked. "One moment

please," she replied. With my fingers crossed, I waited for what seemed an eternity. I even started to kick

myself for putting off calling her until now Maybe today was her day off or she was out for lunch. "I caught her walking

down the hall, ma'am.

the receptionist said. "She is walking back to her office to pick up." A minute later Nancy picked

"Nancy Alston,"
"How may I help you?" she said "Hi, Mrs. Alston, This is Susie Besaw." I said. "Did I catch you "Not really," she replied. "I

was just going to lunch. It can wait. What can I do for you?" I felt uncomfortable asking for help, but thought. I have to start

somewhere.

"I've decided to find a job during the day while Jake is at the base, but I'm frustrated. I checked out the employment ads. but am not sure who'll want to hire me. Can you help?'

"No," she said, as my heart

"But I know who can. There is a Spouse Employment Assistance Program, or SEAP, here. I can introduce you to our coordinator. Carol Young. Carol has been with us for many years and is easy to work with. She knows the area re-

"What is SEAP?" I asked "SEAP is a program run by the SEE MONEY ON PAGE 29

SEAP helps family members make career decisions and develemployment search skills through education, information, referral and assistance programs, giving family members such as vourself the competitive edge to find a job. We also give workshops that include employment skills building, career planning,

self-assessment, job search skills,

résumé writing, filling out appli-

Mrs. Alston replied

cations, federal employment information, networking, interviewing and, on top of it all, we have a resource library. "That's amazing," I replied. "I had no idea the Navy offered all

this spouse support. "Oh, it gets better," Mrs. Alston said.

"We also have the free Career Accelerator Program. "How does that work?" I asked.



## A new king in town?

## Coors, Molson want to form brewing giant

BY SANDY SHORE The Associated Press

DENVER - Adolph Coors Co., the na tion's third-biggest brewer, and Canada's Molson Inc. announced plans to merge Thursday in a deal that would create a North American giant to compete against the world's beermaking titans.

The combined company created by the deal, which was described as a merger of would have annual revenues of about \$6 billion and rank fifth in the world by brewing volume, the companies said.

It will be known as Molson Coors Brewing Co., and will market brands such as Coors Original and Coors Light, Molson Canadian, Keystone and Carling

The deal would merge two family-led breweries both founded more than a century ago. Golden-based Coors trails Anheuser-Busch and SABMiller in the U.S. brewing business, while Montreal-based Molson is neck-and-neck with Interbrew SA's Labatt Brewing in Canada.

"I am very proud to see the company started by my great-grandfather more than 130 years ago combine with a compa-ny of Molson's caliber and heritage," said Coors chairman Peter H. Coors, who is running for the U.S. Senate in Colorado

"This transaction allows us to create a stronger company in a consolidating global industry while preserving Molson's rich heritage as North America's oldest beer company and Canada's leading brewer," chairman Eric Molson said in a statement.

The deal is subject to regulatory and shareholder approval.

A former Molson executive could create a hitch in the plans. The Wall Street Journal reported Thursday that former Molson deputy chairman Ian Molson was expected to make an offer to acquire the company for as much as \$4 billion

The offer would value the stock at about \$30 a share, which would create a premium of more than 30 percent of the stock price before the merger was announced omething the Coors offer lacks.

Ian Molson and Eric Molson, his cous have clashed about the brewery. Ian Molson resigned from the board in May over disagreements with his cousin.

The Ian Molson offer would come from a group of investors and a possible corporate partner. The Journal said, citing sources close to the situation.



Above left: A tour group waits at the entrance to the Coors Brewery in Golden, Colo., on Wednesday. Adolph Coors Co. and Canadian brewer Molson Inc. announced plans to merge Thursday. Above: Bottles of Coors Light roll off of the production line in Golden, where U.S. operations will be managed. Canada operations will be run from Toronto.

Molson chief Daniel J. O'Neill declined to comment on the report, while Eric Molson said there is a good deal of support for the Coors merger. "We'll have to go through the process properly," he said.

Molson shares rose 3 percent to \$26.99 (35.70 Canadian dollars) on the Toronto stock market Thursday, while Coors shares fell \$1.54, or 2 percent, to \$73.19 on the New York Stock Exchange.

Harry Schuhmacher, editor and publisher of the trade publication Beer Business Daily, said he thought the merger would be a good deal for shareholders, given the 5 million in synergies in areas such as ramping up Molson breweries in Toronto and Montreal.

"If they can wring that many synergies out of the deal that's good," he said.

Schuhmacher also said he thought Ian Molson would have a difficult time trying to stop the merger, given that he has about 10 percent of the voting stock.

If the Coors-Molson deal goes through, Coors chief executive Leo Kiely would become CEO and Eric Molson would become

The company will have executive headquarters in Denver and Montreal. Its operations in Canada will be managed from Toronto, and its U.S. operations will be managed from suburban Golden.

The plan calls for Coors shareholders to receive one share of Molson Coors for each share of Coors

Each Molson Class B share will be exchanged for a 0.126 voting share and 0.234 nonvoting share of Molson Coors. Each Molson Class A share will be exchanged for 0.360 nonvoting share of Molson Coors.

The merger would require approval of two-thirds of each class of the Molson shareholders. The Molson family owns 55 percent of the voting stock. It would also require majority approval of each class of Coors stockholders.

## YOUR MONEY

## **Put footing before fix-ups**

Q: I'm one year out of college, I own a home and contribute 10 percent of my salary to my 401(k) plan. My husband and I fully fund our Roth IRAs each year, and we still have some money left over for ourselves and for savings.

But the amount we have set aside for home improvements is still fairly small.

We are considering reducing our Roth IRA con-tributions from \$3,000 to \$2,000 a year to free up some extra money for replacing our roof and aging appliances. Do you have an opin-Money Talk

A: First of all: Bravo to you and your husband. You're certainly starting life out on the right financial foot.

But it's easy to make a misstep when you're trying to juggle financial priorities. You're smart to want to pay cash for home improvements whenever possible. But you shouldn't let that desire keep you from taking the best advantage of your tax-deferred retirement options.

Roth IRAs are a particularly powerful way to save, because your withdrawals will be tax-free in retirement. Your 401(k) can be a great deal, as well, particularly if your compa-

ny offers a decent match (Not contributing at least as much as the company will match essentially means giving up "free money" - and that's rarely a good idea.) Rather

than reducing your 401(k) or Roth contributions look for other areas in your budget that you could trim to boost your savings. If your roof or appliances give up the ghost before you've saved enough to replace them, you can borrow against a home equity line of credit. Just try to pay off the line as quickly as you can.

O: A grandparent recently wrote to you asking for an example of the power of compound returns so that she could use it to encourage her grandchildren to invest. Isn't your example — that \$100 could grow to \$5,000 — disingenuous at best and based on a wholly unrealistic rate of return?

A: If you think an average annual return

of 8 percent is unrealistic, perhaps But a diversified portfolio of stocks should be able to produce that return easily, particularly over the long term.

And we are talking the long term here. The grandchild in the example was 15, which means she would have 52 years to invest before reaching full retirement age

(for Social Security purposes, anyway). Obviously, children aren't the only peo ple who have trouble grasping the concept

of compounded returns. If you need another example, consider the lowly penny. If you're given a single cent on the first day of the month, and the

amount is doubled every day thereafter, you'd have more than \$10.7 million at the end of the month. (Or half of that amount if the month had only 30 days rather than 31.) That rate of return is, of course, unrealistic, but the example vividly illustrates how returns build on returns over time

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## Money: Military aids spouses in job hunt

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"A couple years ago, the Navy wised up," she replied. "They realized spouse-employment issues affected retention, or how many sailors stay in the Navy. They asked sailors why they were leaving the Navy and found out the mobile military lifestyle was tough on their spouses' careers. Your situation is a perfect example.

"The Navy then formed a nartnership with Adecco, the world's largest employment services company, to help Navy spouses find jobs.

"Adecco offers career coun seling services, training and iob-placement assistance at no cost to military spouses. They can help you find a variety of jobs, including clerical, data entry, administrative, techni-cal, financial and light industrial. It is a good deal for spouses who move often.

"Spouses who register with the Adecco program are eligible for Adecco benefits, such as vacation, holiday pay, retire-

ment plans and tuition assistance - and you don't lose your benefits when you relocate because all benefits are transferable to any of the 1,400 Adecco offices in the United States.

"Do you think Carol can meet with me today to talk about my employment op-tions?" I asked, with excite-

"I'll walk over to her office and leave her a note." Mrs. Alston replied. "She'll give you a Next week. Susie builds her

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## EXCHANGE RATES

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S. Korean won (July 24)	1.133.00
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Hungary (Forint)	203.05
Iceland (Krona)	71.585
Israel (Shekel)	4.4944
Japan (Yen)	110.09
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.2947
Norway (Krone)	6.9568
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## **PRECIOUS METALS**

## INTEREST RATES

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Sources: The Associated Press, Bank of

## ents and Sensibility Money tip of the day

## Separate business, blogs

NEW YORK - If you have a personal Web site or online journal, it may not be the best idea to include its Internet address on vour résumé.

When a potential employer logs onto your Web site, he or she is likely hoping to find out more about your job-related skills. Stumbling across personal photos, song lyrics or diarylike entries in an online journal can be discomfiting and may even lose you the job.

If your site is more personal than business, don't include it on your résumé. Instead, include any pertinent "extras" as supplementary material.

But for people in some professions, such as artists or Web designers, having a Web site is an easy way to direct employers to work samples. To use your personal Web site in a way that works, clearly separate the professional material from the personal.

Create separate Web addresses for your business and personal sites. Don't link the sites to one another

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## SCOREBOARD

## AFN schedule

(All times Central European, AFN-A: AFN-Atlantic: PAC: AFN-Pacific/Korea: SPT: AFN-Sports; dld: delayed; cut: two-hour of specific speci

### Television

Baseball — Anaheim at Seattle, 1 p.m. Sun-day (dld), AFN-A; Tampa Bay at Toronto, 7 p.m. Sunday, AFN-A; Milwaukee at Houston, 8 p.m. Sunday, SPT: Texas at Oakland, 10 8 m. Sunday, SPT; Pasa at Oakland, 10 p.m. Sunday, AFN-4: N.Y. Yankees at Boston, 2 am. Monday, SPT; Hall of Tame Induction Ceremonies, 6:30 a.m. Monday (did), SPT; teams TBD, 1 am. Tuesday, AFN-4: 4 am. Tuesday, SPT; noon Tuesday (did), SPT; Cycling – 2004 Tour de France: Final stage, 3 b.m. (live) Sunday and 4 p.m. Mon-day (did), belts of the SPT;

Stagle, J. p.m. lings: Junioray and a p.m. Mon-Gelf — Senior Pirlish Open: 3rd round, noon Sunday (did), SPT; Final round, 11 a.m. honday (did), SPT; Final round, 11 a.m. Horse racing — Eddle Read Handicap, 11 Horse racing — Eddle Read Handicap, 13 30, 1739 p.m. S. noday, PaG, 181, A. J. Foyl noty 52, 1330 p.m. Monday (did), SPT; NiRA Carl-quest Nationals, 9 p.m. Monday (did), SPT; DPA at Hantin Series, 3 a.m. Tuesday (did), SPT;

Outdoors — ESPN Great Outdoor Games V: 6 p.m. Sunday (did), SPT. Soccer — MLS: Columbus at Colorado, 1 am. Tuesday (did), SPT. Tennis — RCA Championships, 9 a.m. Sun-day and 9 a.m. Monday (both did), both SPT. AFN-Europe can be reached at DSN

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## Pro soccer

## Major League Soccer

MetroStars	6	6	5	23	29	32
D.C. United	5	6	6	21	23	23
Columbus	5	5	5	20	16	17
Chicago	4	6	7	19	18	20 26
New England	4	8	5	17	20	26
Western C	onf	ere	nce			
Los Angeles	9	5	5	32	33	26
Kansas City	9	4	4	31	25	14 17
Colorado	5	5	7	22	14	
Dallas	5	6	5	20	17	22
San Jose	5	6	5	20	26	
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Saturday's games Chicago at MetroStars D.C. United at Dallas Los Angeles at Kansas City New England at San Jose day, July 28

Wednesday, July 2
Dallas at Columbus
MetroStars at Kansas City
Chicago at Colorado
Saturday, July 31
All-Star Game at Washington

## Cycling Tour de France

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Postal-Berry Floor, 3 minutes, 55 seconds be-hind.

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Overall Standings (After 19 of 20 stages) 1. Lance Armstrong, United States, US Post-al-Berry Floor, 79 hours, 27 minutes, 17 sec-

onds.

2. Andreas Kloden, Germany, T-Mobile Team, 6 minutes, 38 seconds behind.

3. Ivan Basso, Italy, Team CSC, 6 minutes, North Basso, Italy, Team CSC, 6 minutes, 59 seconds behind.
 Jan Ullrich, Germany, T-Mobile Team, 9 minutes, 9 seconds behind.
 Jose Azevedo, Portugal, US Postal-Berry Floor, 14 minutes, 30 seconds behind. 6. Francisco Mancebo, Spain, Illes Bale-ars-B. Santander, 18 minutes, 20 seconds be-bind

hind.
7. Georg Totschnig, Austria, Gerolsteiner, 18 minutes, 46 seconds behind.
8. Carlos Sastre, Spain, Team CSC, 20 minutes, 10 seconds behind.
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9. Levi Leipheimer, United States, Ra-bobank, 20 minutes, 31 seconds behind-ing Systems. 23 minutes, 13 seconds behind. 11. Pietro Caucchiol, Italy, Alessio-Bian-chi, 24 minutes, 40 seconds behind. 12. minutes, 40 seconds behind. 13. Vladimir Karpets, Russia, Illes Bale-ris-B. Santander, 25 minutes, 30 seconds behind.

ind. 14. Mickael Rasmussen, Denmark, Ra-obank, 27 minutes, 16 seconds behind. 15. Richard Virenque, France, Quick tep-Davitamon, 28 minutes, 30 seconds be-

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Detroit 63, Charlotte 53 Los Angeles 70, Houston 67 San Antonio at Connecticut Washington at Connecticut Washington at Charlotte Detroit at New York Houston at Seattle

Indiana at Phoenix
Sunday's game
Indiana at Sacramento

## Tennis

## **RCA Championships**

Friday
At The Indianapolis Tennis Center Indianapolis
Purse: \$600,000 (Intl. Series)
Surface: Hard-Outloor
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## JP Morgan Chase Open

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At The Mome Depot Center
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Depot Carson, Calif. Friday
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
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Elena Dementièva (4), Russia, def. Svetla-na Kuznetsova (5), Russia, 5-7, 6-7, 6-7, 6-7, Lindsay Davenport (3), United States, def. Nadia Petrova (7), Russia, 6-1, 6-1, Venus Williams (2), United States, def. Francesca Schiavone (11), Italy, 7-5, 6-1, Serena Williams (1), United States, def. Vera Zvonareva (8), Russia, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4,

## Croatia Open

Friday
At The International Tennis Cente

At The International Tennis Center Unasylva prostals Francisco Calvo-United Paragraphics Calvo-United Calvo-U Filippo Volandri (4), Italy, def. Kristof Vliegen, Belgium, 6-2, 6-2.

## Palermo International

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At Country Time Club
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## Generali Open

At Kitzbuheler Tennis Club Kitzbuheler Tennis Club Kitzbuhel, Austria Purse: \$995,689 (intl. Gold) Surface: Clay-Outdoor Singles Quarterfinals Gaudio (2), Argentina, di ), Peru, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (1).

Horna (7), Peru, 7-6 (5), 7-5 (1), Fernando Verdasco (8), Spain, def. Fell-claro Lopez (4), Spain, 6-2, 6-3. Rainer Schuetter (1), Germany, def. Flori-an Mayer (6), Germany, 7-6 (6), 6-2. Nicolas Massu (3), Chile, def. Mariano Za-baleta (5), Argentina, 7-5 (4), 7-5 (6)

## Auto racing

## German Grand Prix lineup

Formula One Saturday; race Sunday At Hockenheimring Hockenheim, Germany Lap length: 2,843 miles al Schumacher, Germany

Lap length: 2.843 miles
1. Michael Schumacher, Germany, Ferrari,
1 minute, 13.305 seconds 133.606 mph.
2. Juan Pablo Montoya, Colombia, Williams-BMW, 1:13.668.
3. x-Jenson Button, England, BAR-Honda, 1:13.674.

1:13.0/4. 4. Kimi Raikkonen, Finland, McLaren-Mercedes, 1:13.690. 5. David Coulthard. Scotland. 5. David Coulthard, Scotland, McLaren-Mercedes, 1:13.821. 6. Fernando Alonso, Spain, Renault, 1:13.874.

1:13.8/4.
7. Jarno Trulli, Italy, Renault, 1:14.134.
8. Rubens Barrichello, Brazil, Ferrari.
1:14.278. 1:14.278. 9. Takuma Sato, Japan, BAR-Honda, 1:14.287. 10. Olivier Panis, France, Toyota, 1:14.368. 11. Antonia Pizzonia, Italy, Williams-BMW,

10. Ulivere paus, taly, Williams-BMW, 11.5. Mark Webber, Australla, Jaguar-Cosworth, 114.80. Lilliams Lilliams

17. Giorgio Pantano, Italy, Jordan-Ford, 1:16.192. 18. Nick Heidfeld, Germany, Jordan-Ford, 1:16.310. 18. Nick melried, Germany, Jordan-Ford, 116.310, 19. Glanmaria Bruni, Italy, Minardi-Cos-vorth, 118.055. 20. Zsolt Baumgartner, Hungary, Minar-di-Cosworth, 118.400. x-Button will be penalized 10 spots on starting grid because of engine change

## Golf

## **LPGA Evian Masters**

At Domaine du Royd Club Evian Evian, France Purse: \$2.5 million Yardage: 6,132; Par: 72 Final Wendy Doolan, \$375,00068-68-69-572 -18 A. Sorenstam, \$246,636 66-68-57-71 -271 -17

Lorena Ochoa, \$178,918 68-69-67-68-272 K. Stupples, \$138,408 68-66-69-70-273 Laura Davies, \$111,402 64-71-72-71-278 Laura Davies, \$111,402 Meg Mallon, \$78,094 Juli Inkster, \$78,094 Hee-Won Han, \$78,094 Mi Hyun Kim, \$53,169 Gloria Park, \$53,169 S. Pettersen, \$53,169 64-71-72-71 - 278 71-69-72-67 - 279 70-73-67-69 - 279 71-70-69-69 - 279 71-69-69-70-70 - 280 72-67-70-71 - 280 70-69-69-72 - 280 Carin Koch, \$53,169 Kim Saiki, \$44,291 Rosie Jones, \$41,590 69-70-69-72 - 280 70-67-75-69 - 281 70-69-69-74 - 282 Asa Gottmo, \$37,089 Rachel Teske, \$37,089 S. Arricau, \$37,089 69-72-71-71 -283 70-68-74-71 -283 67-73-71-72 -283 S. AFFICAU, \$37,089 67-73-11-12-283 Pat Hurst, \$32,228 74-69-72-69-284 Wendy Ward, \$32,228 72-68-73-71-284 P. Meunier-Lebouc. \$32,228 69-70-74-71-284 M. Redman, \$26,852 Paula Marti, \$26,852 C. Matthew, \$26,852 74-71-70-70-285 72-69-74-70-285 70-67-77-71-285 C. Matthew, \$26,852 70-67-77-71-285 Cristle Kerr, \$26,852 71-71-07-2 -285 Becky, Morgan, \$26,852 69-72-72-72-285 S0-Yun Kang, \$26,852 69-72-72-72-285 L Brooky, \$26,852 69-72-73-74-285 H. AlfredSson, \$21,227 76-71-8-71-286 Jeong Jang, \$21,227 76-71-8-71-286 Grace Park, \$21,227 76-77-75-286 Marta Prieto, \$21,227 76-77-75-286 Marta Prieto, \$21,227 68-73-76-78-88 a-Michelle Wie D. Delasin, \$18,364 Beth Daniel, \$18.36 Kirsty Taylor, \$16,609 Johanna Head, \$16,609 Kelly Robbins, \$16,609 70-73-72-73-288 70-73-71-74-288 68-75-70-75-288 Joanne Mills, \$15,259 Lorie Kane, \$14,583 Ann-Marie Knight, \$13,774 73-71-72-73-289 74-71-76-69-290 76-72-73-70-291 Maria Hjorth, \$13,774 G. Simpson, \$12,693 Karine Icher, \$12,693 71-74-70-76-291 74-72-72-74-292 74-69-75-74-292

Aree Song, \$11,883 R. Stevenson, \$10,465 L. Kreutz, \$10,465 71-73-76-73-293 77-73-75-69-294 75-75-74-70-294 S. Steinhauer, \$10,465 Martina Eberl, \$10,465 Iben Tinning, \$10,465 74-74-72-74-294 74-73-73-74-294 73-73-72-76-294 Jung Yeon Lee, \$10,465 Shi Hyun Ahn, \$9,182 Trish Johnson, \$8,237 72-72-74-76-294 76-76-69-74-295 76-73-73-74-296 Trish Johnson, 30,23, Diana Luna, \$8,237 Amy Alcott, \$8,237 Commanasudh, \$8,237 71-78-70-77 - 296 77-69-73-77 - 296 75-71-73-77 - 296 B. Brewerton, \$8,237 Candie Kung, \$8,237 Christina Kim \$6,833 70-72-77-77-296 76-69-73-78-296 77-74-72-74-297

Gina Scott, \$5,400 82-71-77-74-304 +16 Betsy King, \$5,333 5-77-73-80-305 +17 5-8 Gustafson, \$5,266 77-73-78-78-306 +18 10 Bet Reid, \$5,130 75-84-77-74-310 +22 M-Laure De Lorenti, \$5,064 78-84-76-80-318 +30 Natascha Fink, \$4,599 76-73-80-90-319 +31

Senior British Open Saturday
At Royal Portrush Golf Club, Dunluce Course
Portrush, Northern Ireland
Purse: \$1,520,600
Yardage: 6,522; Par 72
Third Round: \$2,72,2144, 2

Peter Oakley, United States 59-72-74-215 Don Pooley, United States 59-72-74-215 Mark McNulty, Ireland 72-69-74-215 Tom Kite, United States 71-71-74-216 Eduardo Romero, Mark James, England 67-57-74-218 Bill Longmuir, Schland

Bobby Lincoln, S. Africa 78-69-73-220 John Grace, United States 72-73-75-220 David J. Russell, England J. Des Smyth, Ireland Jes Smyth, Ireland Jes Smyth, Ireland Jes Smyth, Ireland 18-73-72-21 Bruce Summerhays, U.S. 37-37-75-222 Hugh Balocchi, S. Africa 17-77-72-222 Bruce Heuchan, Canada 72-73-75-222 Hughes Charles 18-73-75-222 Andy Bean, United States Gluseppe Cali, Italy Jeff Thomsen, U. States, Carl Mason, England Tom Watson, U.S. Morris Hatalsky, U.S. David Good, Australia 76-70-76-222 73-73-76-222 70-71-81-222

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John Harris, United State Horacio Carbonetti, Arg. Denis Durnian, England Simon Owen, N. Zealar John Chillas, Scotland

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Bob Charles, New Ze Joe Inman Jr., U.S. Steve Wild, England Brian Jones, Australi U.S. Bank Championship

Friday
At Brown Deer Park Golf Course
Milwaukee, Wis.
Purse: \$3.5 million
Yardage: 6,759; Par 70
Second Round Rich Beem Scott Hoch Ro Van Pelt Bo Van Pelt Patrick Sheehan Dan Forsman Jason Dufner Scott Verplank Danny Briggs Olin Browne Kirk Triplett Jay Williamson Todd Fischer Jim Gallagher, Jr. Greg Chalmers Craig Bowden Robert Gamez

Kenny Perry Billy Andrade Brett Quigley aniel Choora

Jim Carter Wes Short, Jr. Matt Kuchar Jeff Slum

Roger Tami Bart Bryant

Jeff Sluman Corey Pavin Scott McCarron Roger Tambellini

Cameron Beckm Dean Wilson Rich Barcelo Ted Purdy Frank Lickliter II Brad Faxon Cliff Kresge Tom Byrum Dan Olsen

ipp Isenhour

Skip Kendall Steve Allan

Brenden Pappas David Edwards Jonathan Byrd

Steve Elkington Harrison Frazar Jay Delsing Camilo Ville Tom Carter

Kent Jones Jason Bohr Ryan Palm

Ryan Palmer Len Mattiace Joe Durant Steve Lowery J.L. Lewis Steve Stricker Mark Wilson Lucas Glover Steve Pate Scott Simpson Alex Cejka Bob Estes

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Mike Grob Aaron Barber Brad Lardon Kris Cox Navid Roesch

67-67-134 66-69-135 65-70-135 68-67-135 67-68-135 65-70-135 71-65-136 70-66-136 70-66-136 68-68-136 Paul Azinger John Cook Cameron Beckman Joey Sindelar Mark Calcavecchia Brent Geiberger Richard S. Johnson Spike McRov 68-72-140 70-70-140 71-69-140

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Irish Open Saturday At County Louth Golf Club Baltray, Ireland Purse: \$2.37 million Yardage: 7,031; Par 72 Third round

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## Deals Friday's transactions

## BASEBALL

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NEW YORK YANKES—Assigned RHP
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o Columbus of the IL and RMP Francisco vii-egas to Trenton of the Eastern League. SEATTLE MARINERS—Released 1B John Ole-iid. Assinned C Pat Borders to Tacoma of rud. Assigned C Pat Borders to Tacoma of the PCL.

TEXAS RANGERS—Activated OF Brian Jordan from the 15-day DL and C Gerald Laird and the the Lair Community of the Community of the Community of the PCL.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Agreed to terms with LHP David Purcou

TORONTO SILVE JAYS—Agreed to terms with IPP David Simplest League LOS ARGELES DOGGERS—Abunded House LOS ARGELES DOGGERS—Abunded House LOS ARGELES DOGGERS—Abunded House LOS ARGELES DAVID SILVE AREA OF A COUNTRY AND AREA O

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DETROIT PISTONS—Re-signed F-C Rasheed
Wallace to a five-year contract. Named Gar
Heard. Phil Ford and Pat Sullivan assistant

coaches.
MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES—Signed G-F Fred Holberg to a multiyear contract.

NEW JERSEY NETS—Named John Kuester ssistant coach.
SACRAMENTO KINGS—Re-signed F Darius

SACRAMENTO AIRVOS
Songalia.
UTAH JAZZ – Re-signed C larron Collins.
American Baskethall Association
ABA – Granted an expansion franchise to
Raleigh/Durham, N.C. for the 2005-2005 sea

Raleigh/Durham, N.C. for the 2005-2006 Sea-SON ANTONIO—Announced the team nick-name will be Stallions. FOOTBALL National Football League CHICAGO BEARS—Signed CB Alfonso Mar-shall be a functionar contract.

shall to a four-year contract.

CINCINNATI BENGALS—Terminated the contract of LB Adrian Ross.

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Signed OL Kirk Chambers.
DALLAS COWBOYS—Agreed to terms with
RB Eddie George.
GREEN BAY PACKERS—Signed DE Tyrone togers. JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Named Kadar łamilton scout. MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Signed WR Ryan łoag and P Filip Filipovic. Waived P Eddie ohnson. NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Signed TE Matt NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Agreed to terms with FB Mike Karney on a three-year conract. OAKLAND RAIDERS—Released C Barret

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HOCKEY National Hockey League BUFFALO SABRES—Signed F Mike Grier to a one-year contract.

COLORADO AVALANCHE—Re-signed F Alex
Tanguay to a one-year contract.

FLORIDA PANTHERS—Agreed to terms
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with C Serge Payer and D Burke Henry on one-year contracts.

MONTREAL CANADIENS—Signed D Ron Hainsey to a two-year contract.

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Re-signed LV Chris Dingman to a multiyear contract and D Nolan Prätt and G Brian Eklund to one-year contracts.

contracts. SOCCER
MLS—Fined Chicago Fire coach Daye Sarachan \$500 for criticism of game officials following a game on July 1, 500 MINED—Acquired F. Jason Thompson pick, but the contract of t

## Yankees' A-Rod exorcises Fenway demons

## Millar's three solo homers can't save sinking Red Sox

The Associated Press

BOSTON - After getting the go-ahead hit in the ninth inning Friday night, Alex Rodriguez thought back to April, when he went 1-for-17 in his first series at Fenway Park with the Yankees.

"It feels like it was five years ago," he said.

New York's early season struggles are a distant memory, and so is Boston's April success. Even three homers by Kevin Millar couldn't stop the Yankees from beating the Red Sox vet again.

After Millar tied the score in the eighth inning with his third solo home run, Rodriguez put New York back ahead with his third hit of the game. The Yankees' 8-7 victory extended their lead to 91/2 games in an AL East race that increasingly appears to

"I'm sure he wants to contribute, especially here," Derek Jeter said. "The first time around was kind of tough."

After losing six of seven games to the Red Sox in April, the Yankees have won four straight against their longtime rival, opening their largest margin since winning the division by 101/2 games in 2002 Roston has lost seven of 10 "Every loss to me is huge." Red

Sox manager Terry Francona said. "We're just trying so desperately to get on the right track.

New York, which acquired Rodriguez from Texas after a tentative trade between the Rangers and Red Sox fell through, overcame a 4-1, fifth-inning deficit against Curt Schilling. had been 10-0 in Schilling's Fenway starts

Keith Foulke (2-3) retired his first batter in the ninth before allowing two straight drives off the left-field wall — a double by Gary Sheffield and the single by Rod-

"I made a couple of pitches you shouldn't make in this ballpark said Foulke, who has blown four of his last seven save chances. "You've got to take the wall out of play.

Rodriguez knew his hit was over the head of Manny Ramirez. who was playing shallower than usual.

"I knew Manny was playing close because he wanted to get Sheffield out at the plate," Rod-

Mariano Rivera then closed it out with a perfect bottom half for his AL best 35th save in 36 chances, his 23rd in a row.

Millar homered in the fourth sixth and eighth innings, the last



The Yankees' Alex Rodriguez watches the flight of his double to bring home the winning run in the ninth inning in Boston on Friday.

one tying the score 7-all against Tom Gordon (3-3), who got the

Millar has five homers in his last three games after hitting five in his first 85. His feat came exactly two years after the previous three-homer game at Fenway Park, by Nomar Garciaparra against Tampa Bay.

That was big, especially tying the game off Tom Gordon, who's as tough as there is right now out of the bullpen," Millar said.

Millar became the first player to hit three homers in a game against the Yankees since Mo Vaughn on May 30, 1997. He is just the third player to hit three homers in a Red Sox-Yankees game, joining Vaughn and Lou Gehrig in 1927, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

Jeter and Jason Giambi returned to the Yankees lineup after missing two games each. Jeter, who has a small break on his right hand after getting hit by a pitch Tuesday, went 0-for-5. Giambi, recovering from an intestinal parasite was 0-for-3 and stretched his

hitless streak to 21 at-bats



Red Sox starter Curt Schilling gave up seven runs on seven hits against the Yankees on Friday.

Sheffield's 20th homer put the Yankees ahead in the first, but Boston went ahead 3-1 in the third against Jon Lieber on Trot Nivon's RRI double and Rill Mueller's two-run shot. After Millar's first homer ex-

tended the lead to 4-1, Kenny Lof-ton hit an RBI single in the fifth, when the Yankees left the bases loaded

Schilling couldn't stop the Yankees in the sixth, when he allowed four singles and one walk while facing six batters.

Jorge Posada hit an RBI single, Ruben Sierra singled in a run on a high bouncer halfway down the first-base line and Lofton doubled in a run for a 5-4 lead. Bernie Williams then hit a two-run double off Mike Timlin.

Two more homers by Millar around Jason Varitek's RBI double in the seventh tied the score.

## Ordonez back on DL, but White Sox upbeat

Knee injury could end star outfielder's season

The Associated Press

CHICAGO - The Chicago White Sox plan to keep scoring runs in bunches, even without Magglio Ordonez and Frank Thomas in the line.



up. "We can't try to go out there and try to [replace Magglio and

Frank because we have to play our game," Carlos Lee said. "We have to stick together.

After learning that Ordonez could miss the rest of the season because of an injured knee. Lee hit a two-run homer and drove in three runs and the White Sox beat the Detroit Tigers 6-4 on Friday

Ordonez, a four-time All-Star. went back on the disabled list Friday and could spend up to eight weeks on crutches. The outfielder has a fluid problem in his knee. stemming from a collision the All-Star right fielder had with second baseman Willie Harris on May 19 in Cleveland.

Ordonez went on the 15-day disabled list a week after the collision and had surgery to repair torn cartilage on June 5.

Chicago already is missing Thomas, who's expected to miss eight weeks with a broken bone in his left foot. After the White Sox learned the

bad news, Esteban Loaiza (9-5) allowed four runs and seven hits in six innings to win for the first time in four starts since he beat the Cubs on June 27

Cliff Politte and Damaso Marte combined for two hitless innings. and Shingo Takatsu pitched a 1-2-3 ninth for his eighth save in eight chances

Indians 3, Royals 2: Ben Broussard homered off Nate Field (2-2) on a 3-0 count with one out in the 11th, giving Cleveland its eighth win in a major league-high 19 extra-inning games this year.

Rick White (4-4) stranded the go-ahead run at second in the 11th by striking out Ruben Mateo and pinch-hitter Dee Brown

Twins 7, Orioles 3: Corey Koskie homered and had a season-high four RBIs as visiting Minnesota won its fifth straight and maintained its half-game lead over Chicago in the AL Central.

Carlos Silva (9-7) allowed three runs and nine hits in six-plus in-



Jose Guillen drove in five runs for the Anaheim Angels in their 8-2 victory in Seattle on Friday

nings to earn his first win in four starts since June 23. John Maine (0.1) gave up four runs seven hits and three walks over 32/3 innings in his major league debut.

Blue Jays 7, Devil Rays 4: Frank Menechino had three hits, including a solo homer, and Toronto scored six unearned runs in the third at SkyDome

Miguel Batista (9-6) allowed three runs and six hits in six innings to win for the seventh time in his last eight decisions at Sky-

Angels 8, Mariners 2: Jose Guillen had three hits, a home run and five RBIs at Seattle.

John Lackey (8-9) won for the fourth time in five decisions, allowing two runs and nine hits in 51/3 innings.

## Rangers solve Mulder, extend lead in AL West

BY GREG BEACHAM The Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. - Kenny Rogers thinks his 18-game winning streak at the Coliseum is just one of those inexplicable baseball quirks.

There's no mystery to the Texas Rangers' surge to the top of the AL West: a powerful lineup, Rogers' pitching and a confidence that grows with every win over their rivals.

Kevin Mench hit a three-run homer during Texas' sixth-inning rally, and the Rangers snapped Mark Mulder's 11-game winning streak with an 8-3 victory over the Athletics on Friday night Rogers joined Mulder as the

majors' only 13-game winners with another victory in Oakland, though he had plenty of help. Rogers (13-3), who allowed six

hits and three runs in 52/3 innings, hasn't lost in 35 starts in Oakland since Aug. 7, 1994. Though Rogers wasn't perfect,

his teammates' run support kept him out of trouble - even against Mulder, who had won five straight starts.

"I don't think these guys care who's on the mound against them," Rogers said. "I think they know I'm going to give them a pretty good chance to win. They were the ones who did it tonight.

and doing this against Mark Mul-

der, that's a pretty special thing."
Eric Young added a two-run double for the Rangers, who increased their division lead over Oakland to 4½ games in the opener of a key three-game series.

Texas pounded Mulder (13-3), the winning pitcher in the All-Star Game, for 10 hits and seven runs over six innings in his first loss in 15 starts since April 28. The left-hander fell two wins short of Catfish Hunter's franchise record for consecutive victories

"Our guys grinded it, but you've got to feel real fortunate when you score that many runs off him," Texas manager Buck Showalter said. "We got a little behind, but that rally was great. You usually end up on the wrong end of something like that when you fall behind Mulder."

Mulder never appeared to be in top form while losing to Texas at home for the first time in seven career starts. He lost control in the sixth, when Texas sent 10 hitters to the plate and scored five runs.

"I didn't have good stuff tonight, and you can't rely on off-speed pitches all the time, Mulder said. "There have been other times I didn't have my fastball, but it was more obvious tonight. We know it's a big series, but we're not stressing over it. It would have been nice if I pitched better and got a win out of it."

## Fossum cruises, then sinks Hermanson

## Castilla's homer ruins no-hit bid: Arizona breaks team loss mark

The Associated Press

PHOENIX - Casey Fossum cruised into the seventh inning with a no-hitter against the Colo-rado Rockies. Vinny Castilla changed all that with one big

Castilla broke up Fossum's no-hit bid with a two-run homer



then added another two-run eighth in an 8-2

victory Friday night that sent the Arizona Diamondhacks to a team-record 12th straight loss. After walking two batters with

one out in the first, Fossum (2-9) retired 17 straight before walking Todd Helton leading off the sev enth. Castilla then homered to left on a 1-1 pitch 'It seemed like the first batter,

I was just trying to be too fine with my pitches," the left-hander said. "Any time you walk the lead-off guy, it's not good. It comes back to haunt you

Jeromy Burnitz hit another two-run homer later in the inning, a 445-foot drive that gave Colorado a 4-1 lead. "He just located his pitches

well, and then in the seventh inning we got good pitches to hit and put good swings on them. Burnitz said.

Fossum allowed six runs, three hits and four walks in 71/3 innings while striking out seven for the Diamondbacks, who have lost nine straight home games, also a team

Jeff Fassero (2-6) gave up one run and four hits in seven in-

nings. Helton hit an RBI single in the eighth and Castilla added a two-run homer off Mike Koplove to reach 20 for the eighth time in his career. Before homering



Pittsburgh's Jose Castillo leaps over Cincinnati's Ryan Freel to con plete an inning-ending double play in the third inning on Friday night.

Wednesday and Thursday in Los Angeles, Castilla hadn't hit any since June 15

"When you find your home-run stroke, they start coming," Castilla said.

Brewers 7. Astros 6: Roger Clemens tied his season high by allowing three homers, and the visiting Brewers stopped a four-game losing streak on Wes Helms' ninth-inning sacrifice fly.

Clemens, who didn't get a decision, left trailing 5-0 after allowing five runs and eight hits in 5<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>

innings. He walked one and struck out seven, raising his ca-reer total to 4,232. He remained at 321 wins, two behind Nolan Ryan and Don Sutton for 12th place on the career list. Clemens

also hit a bloop single in the third, but was then picked off at first. Scott Podsednik broke the Brewers' 25-inning scoreless streak with a homer on the second pitch of the game.

Cubs 5, Phillies 1: Moises Alou, Sammy Sosa and Derrek Lee homered to back Kerry Wood third straight.

Alou went 2-for-4, and has six homers and 13 RBIs in his last nine games. Lee's homer was his fifth in nine games, and fifth in 31

at-bats against Brett Myers (5-8).
Phillies first baseman Jim Thome, who leads the majors with 31 homers, missed the game because of tendinitis in his right index finger. Philadelphia closer Billy Wagner wasn't available and will miss the rest of the series because of a sore throwing shoul-

Dodgers 3, Padres 2: Adrian Beltre homered off Rod Beck (0,2) with one out in the ninth to give the homestanding Dodgers their 16th win in 18 games and increase their lead in the NL West over the Padres and San Francisco to 31/2 games.

The teams played in front of a Dodger Stadium-record crowd of 55,311. Eric Gagne (3-0) pitched a

scoreless ninth for the win Expos 2, Marlins 1: Orlando Cabrera's sacrifice fly in the

fourth ended the host Expos 42-inning scoreless streak against Florida, and Jose Vidro hit a go-ahead RBI double in the fifth.

The Expos had been shut out in each of their last four games against the Marlins, but Ca-brera's sac fly off Brad Penny (8-8) tied it at 1.

It was the longest such streak in the majors since the California Angels shut out Cleveland over 44 consecutive innings in 1966, according to the Elias Sports Bu-reau. The New York Highlanders had a major league-record 45-inning scoreless streak against Boston in 1906.

Pirates 6, Reds 3: Oliver Perez (6-4) struck out 11 in seven innings, and Craig Wilson drove in two runs for the host Pirates. Pittsburgh is 6-2 since the

All-Star break and has won 18 of 24. The Pirates, once 9-19 at home, are 23-23 Perez (6-4) gave up five hits

and three runs. Jose Mesa worked the ninth for his 28th save in 29 opportunities. Acevedo (4-9) gave up nine hits and six runs in 31/3 in-

## comes back to frustrate Cardinals

BY R.B. FALLSTROM The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS - Dustin Hermanson made an impressive return to

Hermanson, released by the Cardinals last June, took a no-hitter into the seventh inning and Barry Bonds hit a three-run homer one day before his 40th birthday, helping the San Francisco Giants end St. Louis five-game winning streak with a 7-2 victory Friday night.

Hermanson (4-3) allowed only a fourth-inning walk to Albert Pujols before Pujols' 28th homer ended the no-hit bid with one out in the seventh. Bonds didn't move a step in left field as the ball sailed far above him — a drive estimated at 434 feet.

"If you guys go back and look at it, it was shoulder high," Herman-son said of the pitch. "I've got to tip my cap to him. If he's not the best hitter in the game, he's one of the two or three

Hermanson gave up two runs and three hits in 62/3 innings. He struck out five and walked one for his first victory since June 27 then had nothing but good things to say about the Cardinals.

"I have no regrets about what I did over here," Hermanson said. "I wasn't trying to get back at these guys. I have all the respect in the world for Tony La Russa.

The Giants, facing the Cardinals for the first time this year, are 6-1 against St. Louis the last two seasons. The Cardinals lost for only the second time in 14 home games and have won 15 of 18 overall.

Bonds' 25th homer of the season, and 683rd of his career, gave the Giants a 6-0 lead in the seventh. He had been 0-for-8 against Jeff Suppan (9-6) before launching a 3-1 fastball over the right-field wall for his first homer in five days.

## Mariners release former AL batting champ Olerud

SEATTLE - Former AL batting champion John Olerud was released Friday by the last-place Seattle Mariners.

Olerud, 35, was hitting .245 with five homers and 22 RBIs in games when he was designated for assignment last week. He was in the final year of a contract which pays him \$7.7 million this

Olerud led the AL with a .363 average with Toronto in 1993, when the Blue Jays won their second straight World Series title He has a career average of .295, with 2,143 hits, 244 homers and 1 167 RBIs

### Wagner out for weekend PHILADELPHIA - Philadel-



phia closer Billy Wagner will miss the rest of a weekend series against the Chicago Cubs because of a sore throwing shoulder. Wagner said the injury oc-

curred Wednesday, when we worked 11/3 innings against Florida for his 16th save In 31 games, he is 3-0 with a

## 3.12 ERA and 46 strikeouts

## Broadcaster back in booth

TORONTO - Toronto Blue Jays radio announcer Tom Cheek was back in the broadcast booth Friday night for the game against the Tampa Bay Devil Rays, his first game since undergoing surgery last month to remove a brain tumor. Cheek announced the fifth and sixth innings of the game. Cheek, 65, called every game in

franchise history before missing one in early June because of his father's death - ending a 27½-year streak covering 4,306 consecutive regular-season and 41 postseason games.

### Stanford faces surgery CLEVELAND - Cleveland

left-hander Jason Stanford will likely undergo ligament replacement surgery on his elbow next week and will miss next season.

"At this point, he'll probably have an operation," trainer Lonnie Soloff said Friday. "I think it will and up being Tommy John." will end up being Tommy John, a procedure named after the pitcher who first underwent the revolutionary operation in 1974.

Stanford was 0-1 in two starts before going on the disabled list in April.

## Spencer steps onto DL

NEW YORK - New York Mets outfielder Shane Spencer went on the 15-day disabled list Friday after cutting his sandled right foot on broken glass in a bar.

After attending a charity event Thursday night, Spencer and his wife went to a bar in Manhattan. Wearing sandals, he stepped on some broken glass, causing blood to spurt from a deep gash in his right heel

Paramedics applied five stitches and a bandage. Spencer was given a walking cane, and doctors told him to stay off his foot for about a week.

### **Expos recall Corcoran** MONTREAL — The Montreal

Expos recalled right-hander Roy Corcoran from Class AAA Edm-onton on Friday, and optioned left-hander Chad Bentz to Edmonton. Corcoran was 4-1 with five saves and a 2.98 ERA in 29 games with Edmonton

### Orioles' Matos on DL BALTIMORE - The Balti-

more Orioles placed center fielder Luis Matos on the 15-day disabled list Friday because of a bruised right shin Matos slammed into the wall at

Fenway Park on Wednesday while making a sensational catch atgainst Boston. He missed time during spring training with a stress fracture in the same shin.

Matos is hitting .224 with six homers and 28 RBIs in 89 games.

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(Munro 1-2)
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## M. Schumacher wins pole for German GP

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The Associated Press

HOCKENHEIM, Germany Michael Schumacher won the pole position during qualifying for the German Grand Prix on Saturday, moving him a step closer to matching his record of 11 victories in a season.

Schumacher had a time of 1 minute, 13.306 seconds in his Ferrari on the 2.843-mile course to pick up his sixth pole of the season and the 61st of his career, four less than Ayrton Senna's record

Schumacher's last pole came in the European Grand Prix at the end of May.

"We worked the car very well. I was pretty confident we had a good chance," said Schumacher, who finished more than three-tenths of a second in front of the next-fastest drivers. "It is a surprise to be up that much but I wasn't too surprised."

Schumacher is trying for his 11th victory in 12 races this sea-son. In 2002, he set the F1 record of 11 victories in 17 races

Ferrari drivers won 15 of 17 races that season.

"I think the way things are going this weekend, it looks very promising for us," Schumacher hies

Juan Pablo Montoya of Will-

iams, last year's winner, qualified second with a time of 1:13.668. Jenson Button of BAR had the third-fastest time (1:13.674) but will be penalized 10 spots on the starting grid because of an engine change at the end of Friday's pracession

Button is third in the driver standings with 53 points. Schumacher leads with 100

While Schumacher hopes to tie his record for victories in a season, Ferrari is aiming for another team title.

Ferrari is 95 points ahead of second-place Renault. If that lead increases to 108 after Sunday, Ferrari will clinch its sixth con-secutive title and 14th overall.

## **Judge rules Bryant jury to hear** about accuser's sexual activity

The Associated Press

DENVER - The judge in the Kobe Bryant rape case has decided that jurors will be allowed to hear about the sex life of the NBA star's accuser so they can determine her credibility.

With about a month to go be-fore the trial begins, District Judge Terry Ruckriegle on Friday gave what legal experts see as a solid victory to the defense.

Ruckriegle, however, limited the admissible evidence to the woman's sexual activities in the three days before her July 1, 2003 hospital examination, saying it is relevant to help determine the cause of her injuries and the source of DNA evidence.

"While the defense lost some things it wanted, it has accumulated a massive amount of damaging facts," Larry Pozner, former president of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, said. "This evidence is as damagcould ever have to contend with and one wonders if at long last the accuser will pull the plug on this case

The woman's lawver. John Clune, declined comment, Bryant's lawyers didn't return a call

The prosecution will decide how to proceed after reviewing the decision but no options have een ruled out, spokeswoman Krista Flannigan said.

"We have no plans of not moving forward with the prosecu-tion," she said. "It's just, what is that going to look like?"

Colorado's rape-shield law generally prevents the sex life of an alleged assault victim from being admitted as evidence. Judges can study evidence and witness testimony behind closed doors to de-

termine if it is relevant. Ruckriegle said "specific instances of sexual activity" and evidence of sex can be offered to bolster the contention that her injuries were not caused by Bryant. tailed ruling explaining what evi-dence will be admitted. Pozner said the ruling gives the

defense ammunition to attack the alleged victim's credibility.

"In most sevual assault cases the complaining witness is the strength of the case," he said. "In this one she's the weakness of the

Bryant, 25, faces an Aug. 27 trial on a single charge of felony sexual assault. He has pleaded not guilty, saying he had consensual sex last summer with the woman, then a 19-year-old front desk worker at a Vail-area resort.

If convicted, Bryant faces four years to life in prison or 20 years to life on probation, and a fine up

The defense has suggested the woman had multiple sexual partners in the days surrounding her June 2003 encounter with Bryant including sex with someone after the alleged attack and before she contacted the authorities. Her lawyer has denied that claim.

Martin Truex Jr., left, talks with crew chief Tony Eury Jr. in the garage in Loudon, N.H., on Friday, Truex qualified third for the Siemens 300.

## Truex Jr. gets early start in Nextel Cup

Busch driver replaces recovering Earnhardt: Newman wins pole for Siemens 300 at NHIS

Siemens 300 lineup

NASCAR Nextel Cup
After Friday qualifying: race Sunday
At New Hampshire Int'l Speedway
Loudon, N.H.
Lap length: 1.058 miles
(Car number in parentheses)
1. (12) Ryan Newman, Dodge, 132.360

mph. 2. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 131,984.

131.660.
4. (15) Michael Waltrip, Chevrolet, 131.488.
5. (42) Jamie McMurray, Dodge, 131.442.
6. (9) Kasey Kahne, Dodge, 131.410.
7. (19) Jeremy Mayfield, Dodge,

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29.283.
30. (43) Jeff Green, Dodge, 129.221.
31. (17) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 129.995.
32. (97) Kurt Busch, Ford, 129.999.
33. (46) Carl Long, Dodge, 129.055.
34. (21) Ricky Rudd, Ford, 128.981.
35. (4) Jimmy Spencer, Chevro

28.580. 36. (SD) Mike Wallace, Dodge, 128.580. 37. (40) Sterling Marlin, Dodge, 128.476 38. (22) Scott Wimmer, Dodge, 128.446. 39. (45) Kyb Petty, Dodge, provisional. 40. (98) Todd Bodline, Ford, provisional. 41. (89) Morgan Shepherd, Dodge, pro

isional. 42. (72) Ted Christopher, Ford, provi

43. (02) Hermie Sadler, Chevrolet, provi

26.148. 45. (84) Kyle Busch, Chevrolet, DNF. 46. (00) Ryan McGlynn, Chevrolet, WD.

Failed to Qualify
(51) Kevin Lepage, Chevrolet,

(8) Martin Truey Ir Cheurolet

BY MIKE HARRIS The Associated Press

LOUDON, N.H. — Martin Truex Jr. planned to start his Nextel Cup career at New Hampshire International Speedway not this soon.

Truex replaced injured Dale Earnhardt Jr. in practice and qualifying Friday and is set to re-lieve Earnhardt at the wheel of the No. 8 Chevrolet early in Sunday's Siemens 300

The 24-year-old driver, who leads the NASCAR Busch Series driver standings for Earnhardt's Chance 2 Motorsports team, took advantage of the opportunity and qualified third in his Cup debut.

He trailed only pole winner Ryan Newman, whose lap of 132.360 mph — as the last of 46 drivers in the qualifying line knocked series points leader Jimmie Johnson's 131.984 off the top

Truex was next at 131.660 We tested here because I was

going to drive a Cup race here in September for Chance 2, so I knew I could get in and do a good job and drive it as hard as I could." Truex said.

Under NASCAR rules, the driver change means Earnhardt will have to start at the rear of the 43-car field on Sunday, but Truex earned the team a good pit stall with his qualifying effort.

Earnhardt chose to sit out Friday because he still is in pain and needs more time to heal burns on his legs and face received in a frightening crash last week. He planned to get into the car for practice Saturday.

"We just have to wait and see how this plays itself out," Earn-hardt said, looking a bit uncomfortable with his dressings, including a white gauze bandage wrapped tightly around his neck

"Unfortunately, after the wreck last weekend, I won't be able to run the entire race," he said. "I'm really disappointed. I've never been in this situation before.

"It's painful to walk around, but what's most comfortable for me is sitting in the race car. This is just an opportunity to give Martin more time and a better opportuni-ty to give us a better finish."

## Cavaliers get F Gooden from Magic

CLEVELAND - Needing to find a replacement for Carlos Boozer and to appease their fans, the Cleveland Cavaliers acquired Drew Gooden in a four-player swap with Orlando on Friday.

Cleveland sent forward Tony Battie and two second-round draft picks to the Magic in exchange for Gooden. Brazilian rookie forward Anderson Varejao and 7-foot center Steven Hunter.

Gooden should help Cleveland offset the stunning departure of Boozer, who bolted as a free agent when he signed a six-year, \$68 million offer sheet with Utah last week.

On Tuesday, the Cavaliers began their post-Boozer cleanup by acquiring guard Eric Snow in a trade with Philadelphia.

While the 6-foot-10, 242-pound Gooden isn't quite as good as Boozer, he's young, talented and inexpensive. He'll make \$3.2 million next season and the Cavaliers can pick up a \$4 million option for 2005-06 by Oct. 31.

Gooden averaged 11.6 points and 6.5 rebounds in 79 games -17 starts - for the Magic last season. Drafted with the No. 4 overall pick in 2002 by Memphis, Gooden was traded by the Grizzlies to Orlando during his rookie vear

In other NBA news Friday: ■ Free agent Jarron Collins

re-signed with the Utah Jazz on Friday. ■ The Minnesota Timber-

wolves agreed to a multiyear contract with key backup Fred Hoiberg on Friday.

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Truex is aware of the importance of his assignment.

"Obviously, this isn't the way we'd like to get our first Nextel Cup start," he said. "Junior is real focused to win the championship and we're here to help get him all the points we can get



## **Armstrong's ride** into record book nearly complete

## Victory in time trial turns final stage into victory lap

By JOHN LEICESTER The Associated Press

BESANCON, France - Lance Armstrong capped his most dominant Tour de France with another impressive win in the final time trial Saturday, guaranteeing that he will ride into history as the first six-time champion in the race's 101-year history.

Pedaling furiously toward a stage victory that he didn't even need, Armstrong overpowered his rivals again, quickly building a gaping lead which he car-

Riding a high-tech aerodynamic bike, and wearing the leader's yellow jersey, the Texan finished 61 seconds faster than Jan Ullrich, the 1997 Tour champion and a five-time runner-up

The stage win was Armstrong's fifth of this Tour, his most since he won cycling's most prestigious

event for the first time in 1999 Only a crippling crash or other catastrophe will prevent Sunday's closing ride into Paris from being a lap of honor for Armstrong.

To be on the verge of breaking history is incredibly special," he said

Still, he remained cautious "I'm always careful to say that we have another day to go, and if you crash on the Champs Elysee



Lance Armstrong, above, will earn his 66th yellow jersey on Sunday, the third-most in the Tour de France. Eddy Merckx had 96 and Bernard Hinault 78.

and don't finish tomorrow, then you don't win. So I have to be careful and hope it works out," Arm-

What does it mean to me win six Tours? It's very difficult to say. You'll have to ask me in a couple weeks. I think. When I won the first one. I thought I could die and go away a happy man. To win six is ery hard to put into words.

Andreas Kloden, Ullrich's teammate, was third Saturday and rode so fast that he surpassed Ivan Basso for second in the overall standings

Armstrong remained modest.
"I wouldn't be so bold as to call it a domination,"

Basso, the only rider other than Armstrong to win a stage in the Pyrenees this year, is 6:59 behind. Ull-

Armstrong's overall lead of 6:38 over Kloden is one of his biggest. Last year, he beat Ullrich by just

## LaSalle basketball coaches resign amid rape investigations

PHILADELPHIA — La Salle University basketball coaches Billy Hahn and John Miller have resigned amid two rape investigations involving players on the men's team, school officials announced Saturday.

Hahn, the men's coach, and Miller, the women's coach, were placed on administrative leave July 6. That move came after an investigation that yielded rape charges against former players Michael Cleaves and Gary Neal. and a separate claim by a former women's player who said she was sexually assaulted by a men's team player but discouraged from telling police by La Salle coaches.

"This is a complex situation and not a judgment on the personal character of the coaches, but the university's policies and pro-cedures are clear," Brother Michael J. McGinniss, president of La Salle University, said in a statement Saturday. "When it comes to the safety of our students and our community, there is no room for personal interpretation of our rules

The coaches did not attend the ews conference and calls to Hahn's attorney were not immediately returned. A phone listing for Miller was not immediately available

Cleaves, 22, of Paterson, N.J. and Neal, 19, of Baltimore, face charges of rape, involuntary deviate sexual intercourse sexual assault, unlawful restraint and other charges as the result of an alleged incident June 24 in which a University of New Haven women's player claimed she was raped during an on-campus party.

The 19-year-old woman had heen working at a youth basketball camp run by Miller. DNA evidence matched sam-

ples taken from both players, police said Both men turned themselves in Sports briefs

earlier this month and are no longer enrolled at the university, according to school officials

### Williams sisters win in Calif.

CARSON, Calif. - Venus Williams and Lindsay Davenport ad vanced to the JPMorgan Chase Open semifinals with easy victories Friday, setting up a rematch of last week's final at Stanford.

Williams defeated 11th-seeded Francesca Schiavone of Italy 7-5. 6-1, and No. 3 Davenport beat seventh-seeded Nadia Petrova of Rus-sia 6-1, 6-1 in the quarterfinals. Top-seeded Serena Williams

needed nearly two hours to get by No. 8 Vera Zvonareva of Russia 4-6, 6-3, 6-3

## Roddick back in Indy semifinal

INDIANAPOLIS — There will be no rematch of last year's title match in the RCA Championships. Defending champion Andy Roddick did his job Friday night by de-feating sixth-seeded Dominik Hr-

baty in a quarterfinal match. But No. 12 seed Nicolas Kiefer ousted 2003 runner-up Paradon Srichaphan in a quarterfinal. Roddick defeated Hrbaty 6-2,

6-3, and Kiefer saved five break points in a tiebreaker before de-feating fourth-seeded Srichaphan 7-6 (7), 7-6 (5) in a match that lasted 2 hours, 33 minutes and included 131 points

Earlier, Ivan Ljubicic overcame a bee sting and upset third-seeded Sebastien Grosiean. He'll meet Roddick in one semifinal Saturday and Gregory Carraz will play Kiefer.

## Avalanche re-sign Tanguay

DENVER - The Colorado Avalanche re-signed restricted free-agent forward Alex Tanguay to a one-year contract Friday. avoiding salary arbitration.

## strong said. ried past cheering crowds to the finish line of the in-dividual race against the clock.

rich is 9:09 back

## AFA: Athletes get no special treatment BY ROBERT WELLER

The Associated Press

AIR FORCE ACADEMY Colo concluded that the Air Force Academy's athletic department does not give athletes special treatment to maintain winning records.

The review, led by a retired general, was ordered as part of an examination of the academy after female cadets reported being punished for reporting sexual assaults. Critics questioned the handling of disciplinary cases involving athletes.

At a meeting with the Board of Visitors, the academy's oversight board, retired Gen. Michael Ryan recommended some changes, including ending the with selection officers. The interviews are part of the academy's admissions process.

Nevertheless, Ryan concluded, "the Air Force Academy's admissions process does not give undue emphasis to recruiting." He said 16 percent of the academy's cadets were recruited as athletes. He said there was no statistically significant difference in the academic success of athletes and non-athletes, and that their Air Force careers also

No mention was made during the meeting of four cadets, including two athletes, who face charges involving illegal steroids. Lt. Gen. John Rosa, the acad-emy's superintendent, said there was no hint of any athletic department involvement in the cases.

## Doolan upends Sorenstam to win Evian Masters title swept Royal Portrush on Satur-170-yard 11th on Thursday. On Sat-

EVIAN, France - Australia's Wendy Doolan captured the Evian Masters title on Saturday.

Doolan, 35, collected the biggest check of her professional ca reer (\$375,000) with a final-round 7-under-par 65 to finish 18-under. one stroke ahead of world No. 1 Annika Sorenstam, who had a 71.

Doolan climbed the leader board with a birdie-eagle-birdie-eagle-birdie stretch from holes six to 10. She played the final eight holes in even-par, finishing with a birdie. Doolan trailed Sorenstam by

six strokes with 12 holes to play, then led by three when she stepped onto the 16th tee. "I just knew I had it in me to

make a lot of birdies on this course," course," the Australian said.
"This means what I'm doing is working for me.'

It was Doolan's third LPGA title in a nine-year career.



were comparable.

the start of the final round, played the first 15 holes in 2-over. She made a charge with three birdies on the last three holes, missing a 35-foot eagle putt on 18 that would've forced a playoff.

Sorenstam finished second, with Mexico's Lorena Ochoa (68) in third, two behind Doolan. "It's disappointing when you get

into position to win and don't do it, Sorenstam said. "But today I just didn't make anything happen Fourteen-year-old Michelle Wie shot 69 and finished tied for 33rd.

### Club pro from Delaware leads Senior British Open

PORTRUSH, Northern Ireland Peter Oakley, a club pro from Delaware, shot 1-over 73 at windday to take a one-shot lead into the final round of the Senior British Open Oakley, who had to qualify for

the championship, leads Don Pooley and Mark McNulty by one stroke. Tom Kite and Mark James trail by two.

Asked if he believed he would be leading the \$1.6 million championship going into the final round, the pro from The Rookery in Rehoboth Beach said. "Not in my wildest dreams. I was more nervous trying to qualify for the event. I was one of 132 people try-

ing to qualify for 20 spots. Oakley's 4-under 68 on Friday gave him a share of the lead. And when Pooley bogeyed the 18th on Saturday, Oakley took the lead.

Graham Marsh became the first player in a major tournament to make a hole-in-one on the same hole twice, according to tournament officials

Marsh holed a 9-iron on the

urday, he aced it with an 8-iron.

### Franco in front in Milwaukee MILWAUKEE - Carlos Fran-

co tied his best round on the PGA Tour on Friday, carding a 7-under 63 for a one-stroke lead after two rounds of the U.S. Bank Championship.

Franco, who won the event formerly known as the Greater Milwaukee Open in 1999, moved to 9-under 131, one shot ahead of Rich Beem, who had a second 66 at Brown Deer Park.

Scott Hoch (65), Bo Van Pelt (68) and Patrick Sheehan (68) were two shots back at 133.

Van Pelt and Sheehan were among a record-tying eight golfers who teed off Friday as the leaders after 18 holes.

The other first-round leaders falered, especially Brian Kortan, who followed his 65 Thursday with a 9-over 79 and missed the cut. Danny Briggs, Olin Browne and were tied for eighth at 135. Robert Gamez and Brett Ouigley shot 71 and were tied for 14th

## Lonard up one in Irish Open

DROGHEDA, Ireland - Peter Lonard overcame a triple-bogey on the seventh hole Saturday to post an even-par 72, giving him a one-stroke over fellow-Australian Brett Rumford after three rounds of the Irish Onen



## **Cowboys banking on George for a title run**

BY TODD ARCHER

The Dallas Morning News

IRVING, Texas - Lounging with his son, Jaire, on a blue sofa in the middle of the Cowboys' locker room Friday afternoon, Eddie George felt at ease.

"It looks the same from the last time I was here," George said.

Eight years after his first visit to Dallas to accept the Doak Walker Award, George will take up a more permanent residence with the Cowboys, signing a one-year contract that can be worth as much as \$5 million. He received a \$1.5 million signing bonus and will be paid a base salary of \$660,000. If he runs for 1,300 yards and scores 10 touchdowns, he will receive \$3 million in incentives

And if he does that, the Cowbovs might have a successful season. "I think I can still carry the

load and do the things I've been doing," said George, who ran for 10.009 vards in eight seasons for the Tennessee Titans.

"I was just asking for the oppor-

tunity and being in the right fit and the right situation. This could

George, 30, will have to prove that he has plenty left when training camp begins next week in Oxnard, Calif.

Among the top 20 rushers in NFL history, George (3.7 yards per carry) is one of only two who have not averaged 4 yards a carry (John Riggins is the other). He has also been nagged by shoulder, knee, calf and toe injuries in recent years, but he has not missed a start.

The Cowboys were prepared to let second-round pick Julius Jones win the starting job, but now, according to coach Bill Parcells' plan, the best player will play, and that's OK with George. But he has never shared the workload.

"It's not ideal," George said. T've never been in that situation. I'll get into camp and see what happens.

George is also aware of Parcells' history with Ottis Anderson. who went five years between



Eddie George, left, signed a one-year contract that, with incentives, could be worth as much as \$5 million. Cowboys owner/GM Jerry Jones, right, would gladly pay the \$3 million bonus for a 1,300-yard season that includes 10 touchdowns. George, 30, has 10,009 career rushing yards.

1,000-yard seasons before 1989, when he ran for 1,023 for the New York Giants. In 1990, the Giants selected running back Rodney Hampton in the first round, but Anderson's hard-running style led Parcells to his second Super Bowl victory.

"Bill Parcells has a very good feel for the right way to maximize the value to a team of a veteran running back," owner and general manager Jerry Jones said

Terry Glenn, who played with George at Ohio State, believes a change of scenery will help.

"Sometimes when you stay with a team a long, long time, things get redundant," Glenn said.

'Also, I think he's going to have a chip on his shoulder with the way things went down in Tennes-

The Titans asked George to take a pay cut, which he declined, leading to his release earlier this week.

"It's very odd," said George of being with another team. "Change is inevitable, and it comes in different ways. And right now I'm in a transition point and an adjustment period. The organization is doing everything they can to make me feel comfortable as soon as possible. It's been difficult. It's been emotional."

The Cowboys had a similar divorce last year when they released Emmitt Smith, the NFL's career leading rusher. Smith signed with Arizona, and he ran for a career-low 256 yards in 10 games.

The Cowboys are hoping George can be another Anderson, not last year's Smith.

## **Camp:** a QB shuffle

CAMP. FROM BACK PAGE

sons behind Marc Bulger and gives the Giants an experienced OB to start if Manning isn't ready to take a pounding behind what could be a shaky offensive line.

Collins landed in Oakland, where his size and strong arm make him the perfect quarterback for the "vertical offense" that owner Al Davis has always favored. Turner says 38-year-old incumbent Rich Gannon, who missed nine games last season with injury, is the starter, but that could change

Tim Couch has moved, too.

The No. 1 overall pick when Cleveland returned to the NFL in 1999. Couch was released by the Browns and signed with Green Bay as Brett Favre's backup. Jeff Garcia left San Francisco and signed with the Browns, a team seemingly in disarray, especially in the front office, where coach Butch Davis has dumped almost everyone, including team spokesman Todd Stewart.

The first order of business for most teams this week will be signing their first-round nicks

Manning's deal with the Giants will set the standard, at least for the four first-round quarterbacks.

The others are San Diego's Philip Rivers, taken fourth by New York and traded to the Chargers for Manning; Pittsburgh's Ben Roethlisberger, 11th overall; and Buffalo's J.P. Losman, 22nd

Few GMs seem worried

"I learned my attitude toward negotiations from George," says ants General Manager Ernie Accorsi, referring to his predecessor, the late George Young. "Nothing

ever gets done until Bastille Day For those unfamiliar with the French Revolution Bastille Day is July 14.

But things are later now. The regular season doesn't begin until Sept. 9 when Indianapolis visits New England in a reprise of last season's AFC title game and the first full menu of games isn't until Sept. 12, the latest opening Sun-

day for the NFL since 1987 Signings could be slow in a few cases: Washington announced it wouldn't draft Kellen Winslow Jr. because he is represented by Carl and Kevin Poston, known for holding out their players. Winslow was taken by Cleveland. The Postons also represent two other first-rounders: wide receiver Reggie Williams of Jacksonville and cornerback Chris Gamble of Caro-



### Quarterback Kurt Warner left St. Louis for the New York Giants.

Rivers is likely to wait to see what Manning gets and he could be out for a while - the Chargers (as Cincinnati used to be) are notoriously penurious.

But Tom Condon, Manning's agent, got Peyton into camp rela tively quickly when he was the No. 1 overall pick; Accorsi says he will pay Eli, as No. 1, not No. 4, and is talking with Condon, with whom he's worked well in the past

So expect most rookies to show

up pretty quickly. "Last year was one of the quickest signing seasons we've had and I think this one will be the same, Roethlisberger's agent Leigh Steinberg, whose first client was Steve Bartkowski, the first overall choice in 1975. "The way the system is set up now, you know just about what your player will get. You just have to work out the details."

## Dallas mulls decision on disgruntled Bryant

IRVING, Texas - Antonio Bryant paid a brief visit to the Cowboys' Valley Ranch facility Friday, and the third-year receiver is expected back Monday for a visit with coach Bill Parcells to determine his status with the team.

During on-field work last month, Bryant threw a jersey at Parcells after an altercation that included wide receiver Keyshawn Johnson and wide receivers coach Todd Haley. Bryant resumed working out in Dallas a few weeks ago but not at the

team's facility The Cowboys have delayed making a decision about Bryant. A few teams have called about trading for Bryant, but the Cowboys want a significant draft pick in return. Though headstrong. Bryant does possess talent, and the team's wide receiving group is not deen

Agent Lamont Smith said Bryant wants to stay in Dallas.

"He understands that he needs to control his actions," Smith said. Meanwhile, safety Darren

Woodson will meet again with doctors Monday before probably undergoing surgery to repair a ruptured disk Tuesday



The Cowboys want to have surery performed as soon as possiso Woodson does not miss much of the regular season. Owner and general manager Jerry Jones said the most Woodson would miss is eight weeks, which would run into the home opener Sept. 19 vs. Cleveland.

"We've had good experiences with former players with this type of surgery," said Jones, citing Troy Aikman, Charles Haley and Jay Novacek as examples. ren has had an excellent off-season relative to his conditioning."

### Raiders release C Robbins

ALAMEDA, Calif. - Former Pro Bowl center Barret Robbins was released by the Oakland Raiders on Friday, a week after he and two other players were fined three game checks for testing positive for the steroid THG.

Robbins confirmed that he had failed the exam and added: "I'm OK. I just don't want to talk about this right now.





### NFL training camp capsules

By The Associated Press by the Associated Press sules for the 32 NFL teams at the start ning camp. The top six in each confer-are last season's playoff teams in of how far they advanced.

### AFC

## New England (14-2)

OPEN CAMP: July 29, Foxboro, Mass.
LAST YEAR: Won second Super Bow
three years, winning 12 games in a row
end the season and three more in the p
offs.

ffs. IMPORTANT ADDITIONS: RB Corey Dillon rade). CB Terrell Buckley, NT Vince Wilfork (21st overall pick).

IMPORTANT LOSSES: NT Ted Washington, OL Damien

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wey won the Super Bowl with Russ Hoch-stein filling in at guard. EXPECTATIONS: Getting Dillon upgrades the running game, where the now departed knowain Smith was the main man. Coach still Belichick has worked woods.

Antowain Snith was the main man. Coach Bill Belichick has worked wonders in getting the players to buy into team concept and if he does it again, the Pats could contend for third super Bowl win in four seasons, a dynasty in an era of parity. If the Patriots win their first three games cat home against Indianapolis and at Arizo-

If the Patriots with user will dathome against Indianapolis and at Arizona and Buffalo), they will play Mlami on Oct. 10 with a chance to break the Dolphint record of 18 consecutive wins, set in 1972-73, a mark also held by four other teams.

### Indianapolis (12-4)

OPEN CAMP: Aug. 1, Terre Haute, Ind.
LAST YEAR: Peyton Manning was voted
co-MVP and the defense matured in coach
Tony Dungy's second season. That led to
AFC South title and run to AFC championship game, where the Colts lost 24-14 in New

nd. ORTANT ADDITIONS: S Bob Sanders 3 Gilbert Gardner, both rookies, could



CB Walt Harris, CB David Macklin, LB Marcus Washington. CAMP NEEDS: The

David Macklin, LB Marcus Washington. CAMP NEDS: The CAMP NEDS: The Cotts will be bodding jobs on defense after Washington and cost-cutting move. The was released and pill a cost-cutting move. The cost was released and pill cost of the cost of the

best battle may be between starting 'S idrees Bashir and Sanders.

EVPECTATIONS: With a new \$98 million contract, Manning will be expected to star again with an offense that had no significant losses. The big question, as usual, will be on defense. If it performs, the Coits could again be a Super Bowl contender.

## Kansas City (13-3)

OPEN CAMP: July 29, River Falls, Wis. LAST YEAR: Started 9-0, then lost three of last seven. Still won home-field advantage for first round, but one of the league's worst defenses was Kan-sas City's demise. Chiefs failed to stee



e coordinator insteau con ed after Indy debacle. Team has Ingui for rookle DT Julior Slavii. IMPORTANT LOSS

iMPORTANT LOSSES: 7 John Talt, lost as free agent to Chicago.

CAMP NEEDS: Keep everybody healthy on offense, including Priest Holmes, who will turn 31 in October, a little old for an RB. Get more production from WRs; Holmes and TE yory Conzalez were leading receivers last year. Install Cumingham's attack-style degree and the control of the work of the

EXPECTATIONS: A seemingly tough sched-ule, no new defensive starters of note and an aging offense could bring KC back to-ward the middle of the pack.

## Tennessee (12-4)



TIMPORTANT ADDITIONS: Dave McGinnis as new linebackcoach and a
batch of rookies led
by TE Ben Troupe
and DEs Travis
LaBoy, Antwan Odom and Bo Schobel.

IMPOPTANT LOSSES: DE Javon Kearse allowed to go to Philadelphia as a free agent DT Robaire Smith also left, while the Titans traded WR Justin McCareins to Jets for a ick they used on potential Kearse suc or LaBoy. TE Frank Wycheck retired, and oach Gunther Cunningham returned to K sas City as defensive coordinator.

CAMP NEEDS: Build depth on DL, where two-year veteran Carlos Hall must replace

and undrafted free agent Juqua Tho Kearse and undrafted free agent Juqua Tho-mas will be pushed by rookles at the other end, with Kevin Carter sliding inside to tack-le. See if Tyrone Calico, last year's No. 2 draft pick, can replace McCareins as the third re-

EXPECTATIONS: It's still Super Bowl or bust for a team that has been to the playoffs four of the past five seasons by successfully using the draft to fill in around co-MVP Steve McNair.

### Baltimore (10-6)

OPEN CAMP: July 30, Westminster, Md. LAST YEAR: Won AFC North and reach-postseason for third time in four years, b lost to Tennessee in opening-round playo



CAMP NEEDS: Need to improve league's worst-rated passing game, and get second-year QB Kyle Boller comfortable with new receivers Johnson and Darling. The DL needs depth after being hurt by injury in

003. EXPECTATIONS: The Ravens expect a return to the playoffs, but their success de pends on the availability of RB Jamal Lewis who faces federal drug charges in Atlanta and Boller's maturation.

## Denver (10-6)

OPEN CAMP: July 27, Englewood, Colo. LAST YEAR: Reached playoffs for just the second time in the five years since John Elway retired, lost 41-10 to Indianapolis in first round.

first round. IMPORTANT ADDITIONS: CB Champ Bailey (trade with Washington), S John Lynch (free agent), LB D.J. Williams (17th overall pick), RB Tatum Bell (sec-



agent), LB D.J. Williams (17th overall pick).

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### Miami (10-6)





Wilkins, FB Sammy Morris, DBS Reggie-Howard and rookie Will Poole.

IMPORTANT LOSSES: S Brock Marrion, T FOOD Wade, G Jamie Nalls, G Tood Perry, C Firm Ruddy, QB Brian Griese, WR James McK-sight, DB Treft Gamble.

CAMP NEEDS: The focus will be at QB, where Feeley will try to replace Jay Fielder.

The other priority will be the OL, hit hard by iffesaron idenstriers.

ne other priority will be the UL, nit hard by ffseason departures. EXPECTATIONS: In four seasons at Miami, Wannstedt is 41-23, but has won just one playoff game. The Dolphins look like a mar-inal playoff team, which could make Vannstedt's tenure marginal.

## Cincinnati (8-8)

OPEN CAMP: July 30, Georgetown, Ky. LAST YEAR: In Marvin Lewis' first season he Bengals turned into a playoff contender or the first time since 1990, getting eliminat d with a final-game loss to Cleveland. IMPORTANT ADDITIONS: CB Deltha O'Neal B Tory James, FS Kim Herring, LB Nate Web

iter. IMPORTANT LOSSES: RB Corey Dillon, QB



tention. His ment will have a lot to do with who Bengals take another step forward.

EXPECTATIONS: A much tougher sci including the first Monday night game since 1992 – and an inexperienced quarter-back are major obstacles to putting up their first winning record since 1990. If an overhauled secondary performs as hoped, Cin-cinnati could stay in contention in the AFC North deep into the season.

### Buffalo (6-10)

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DEN CAMP: Pittsford, N.Y., Aug. 1.
LAST YEAR Drew Bledsoe-led offense sput-tered, hampered by WR Eric Moulds' groin in-jury and departure of No. 2 receiver Peerless Price. That cost coach Grego Williams his job, although revamped defense, featuring 1B Takeo Spikes and S Lawyer Milloy, fin-ished second in yards allows.

LB Takeo Spikes and S Lawyer minuy, mished second in yards allowed.

IMPORTANT ADDITIONS: Coach Mike Mularkey. CB Troy Vincent and G Chris Villarial as free agents, plus two first-round draft picks: WR Lee Evans and GB J.P. Losman. RB Willis McGahee, who missed his rookle seawillis McGahee, who missed his rookie sea-son last year recovering from a knee injury, is cleared to play. LB Jason Gildon was a late



pickup.
pickup.
IMPORTANT LOSSES: CB Antoine Winlield, G Ruben
Brown, FB Sam Gash.
CAMP NEEDS: Installing simplified of-

chance to see whether McGahee's recovery is complete and how he can complement starter Travis Herry. Evans must make immediate impact on passing game. EVECTATIONS: Much rests on Bledsoe. Who has to prove last year was an anomaly. However, the parent to small, who Muskey burn of heir apparent to small, who looked sharp in sorting minicanns?

### New York Jets (6-10)

OPEN CAMP: July 29, Hempstead, N.Y. LAST YEAR: 08 Chad Pennington broke his left wrist during training camp. Jets Started 0-5 behind Vinny Testaverde and couldn't turn the season around. A porous run de-fening of coordinator Ted Cottrell. IMPORTANT ADDI



vin Jones and Mo Lewis.

CAMP MEDS: Pennington needs to develop a rhythm with McCareins to give lets another option aside from Santana Moss. The defense has been completely revamped under new coordinator bonnie Henderson, and the coordinator bonnie Henderson, and the coordinator bonnie Henderson and the coordinator bonnie Henderson.

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EXPECTATIONS: The Jets have gotten EXPECTATIONS: The Jets have gotten younger and presumably faster on defense and improved their offense with the addit tion of McCareins. But McCareins is unprove-en, the delense is being led by a first-time co-ordinator and the Jets will have a serious problem if Pennington goes down again, be-cause his backup is second-year player Brooks Boillinger.

## Pittsburgh (6-10)

OPEN CAMP: July 30, Latrobe, Pa.
LAST YEAR: Matched worst record in Bill
Cowher's 12 seasons as coach as the
long-productive running game broke down
and defenses loaded up to stop QB Tommy
Maddox's mid to deep throws.
IMPORTANT ADDITIONS RB Ducce Staley to



settis, 08 Ben Roeth-isberger (11th over-all pick) to push Mad-dox, T. Max. Starks piner cardiock). Push Starks IMPORTANT LOSS-ISE: 18 Jason Gildon, IE Mark Surener, CB Owayne Washing-steent Alexander.

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Jacksonville (5-11)

OPEN CAMP: July 31, Jacksonville, Fla. LAST YEAR: After awkward start with rook-le quarterback Byron Leftwich and rooke coach Jack Del Rio, the Jaguars split their last eight garnes and linished with the



ranked defense.
IMPORTANT ADJITIONS: WR Reggle
Williams and LB
Jary Smith, the first
Iwo draft picks, Se
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CAMP NEEDS: Find a kicker; find out if eftwich has improved as much as it ap-eared in offseason workouts; mesh a de-ense that added lots of speed, but could lave four or five new starters.

ust added lots of speed, but could have four or five new starters.

EXPECTATIONS: Some are touting the Jaguars as "this year's Carolina Panthers." A winning record and a shot at the playoffs are more realistic goals.

## Houston (5-11)

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progressed according to plan, taking all but
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EXPECTATIONS: There's little doubt the EXTELIBITIONS: INER'S little doubt the Texans are on the rise, although they're in a division with Indianapolis and Tennessee An 8-8 season would fit nicely into the team's four-year playoff plan and be a major step for a franchise that's yet to even wir two straight games.

## Cleveland (5-11)

OPEN CAMP: July 30, Berea, Ohio.
LAST YEAR: Neither Kelly Holcomb nor Tim
Couch could establish himself at quarter-back. The Browns lost eight of their last 10
games while cutting WR Kevin Johnson for not blocking and losing running back Will-am Green to a suspension for violating the NFL's substance-abuse policy.
IMPORTANT ADDITIONS: QB Jeff Garcia, TE
Kellen Winslow Jr., FB Terrelle Smith, OL
Kelvin Garmon, DL Ebenezer Ekuban, LB Wargick Holdens

Holdman. PORTANT LOSSES: Couch, OL Shaun Ira. OL Barry Stokes, P Chris Gardocki, O'Hara, OL Barry Stokes, P Chris Gardocki, RB Jamel White, CB Lewis Sanders. CAMP NEEDS: The



Bowns need to jet Window, their first-came Window, their first-came Window, their first-came Window, their first-came Window their first-came Window and their first window and their f

### Oakland (4-12)

OPEN CAMP: July 29, Napa, Calif.
LAST YEAR: Fell apart the year after a
Super Bowl trip with injuries, age and integral squabbling all playing a part. Coach Bill
Callahan was fired.
IMPORTANT ADDITIONS: DLS Warren Sapp

IMPORTANT ADDITIONS: DLS Warren Sapo and Ted Washington, classic Raiders pick-ups — aping stars, QB Kerry Collins, the kind "vertical offense" owner All Davis has al-ways preferred. T Robert Gallery, sec-tion of the section of the death of the the draft. He will compete for the starting LT spot



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## San Diego (4-12)

OPEN CAMP: July 29, Carson, Calif.
LAST YEAR: Coach Marty Schottenheimer
declared it a "damn good football team,"
then watched talent-poor squad open 0-5
and miss playoffs for eighth straight sea-

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MEORITAT ADDITIONS: QB Philip Rivers.

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Filey, LB Steve Foley,
OL Leander Jordan,
EB C Marcellus
Wiley, DE Raybee
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K Steve Christie, T Solomon Page, T 6d Ellis,
G Revin Cammon, Geo briallen.

CAMP NEEDS: Figure out whether Drew Brees keeps QB job or if rookle Rivers is ready to take over: rebuild nondescript of-fensive line; develop 3-4 defense under Wade Phillips; keep LaDainian Tomlinson, their only marquee player, healthy for opening day.

a good reason for dissing Chargers prior to the draft. They've became the new Cincin-nati Bengals, setting the standard for inepti-

### NFC

### Carolina (11-5)

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OPEN CAMP, 1yy 3, Spartamburg, SC.
Last YEAR: Two years after going 1-15,
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pete for a starting spot.

EXPECTATIONS: The Panthers will be expected to match last season's Super Bowl run, but will be hard-pressed to do so. The run, but will be hard-pressed to 60 so. The losses will hurt and Carolina didnt' chase after big names the way it did a year ago in building the Super Bowl tida a year ago in Fox will have to work the same magic he did year's success will prevent the Panthers from sneaking up on opponents. They'll be targets instead.

## Philadelphia (12-4)

OPEN CAMP: July 27, Bethlehem, Pa. LAST YEAR: Won third straight NFC East life. but lost conference championship Itle, but lost comercial name for third year in a row. IMPORTANT ADDITIONS: WR Jeremiah Trotter, G Shane Andrews. IMPORTANT LOSSES: CB Troy Vincent, CB Bobby Taylor, RB Duce Staley, LB Carlos Em-CAMP NEEDS: Into



locker room. EXPECTATIONS: After three straight losses in NFC title game, nothing less than a Super Bowl trip will do.

St. Louis (12-4) OPEN CAMP: July 27, Macomb, Ill.

LAST YEAR: Replaced Kurt Warner at OB
with Marc Bulger after Warner was hurt on
opening day. Won NFC West, but was upset
in double overtime by Carolina in first playoff game.

IMPORTANT ADDITIONS: RB Steven Jackson, drafted in first round as eventual replacement for Marshall Faulk. Veteran DLs Bernard Holsey and Sean Moran, QB Chris Chandlar

Chandler.

IMPORTANT LOSSES: Defensive coordinator Lovie Smith, who became Chicago Bearshead coach. DLs Brian Young and Grant Wist-



Warner Warner, who
leaves only injuy-prone 38-year-old
Chandler as experienced backup to
Bulger, DE Leonard
Little faces possible
suspension after
drunken driving arrest.

rest. CAMP NEEDS: Establish Bulger in his first ull camp as starter. Re-style defense under lew coordinator Larry Marmie, who takes ver for Smith.

EXPECTATIONS: Rams are 56-24 since 1999.

They was they turned around fortunes and the year they turned around fortunes and won Super Bowl. As long as Bulger stays healthy, the "Greatest Show on Turf" re-mains intact. A lot depends on how Larry Marmle, the new defensive coordinator, han-dles a quick young defense.

## Green Bay (10-6)

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OPEN CAMP, 193, Gerent Bay, Wis.

LAST YEAR: The Packers, who haven't rad

Rett Fave's arrival, won the NC: North
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to challenge for a championship under Favre, who has started 190 consecutive games, a record for an NFL quarterback, and RB Ahman Green, who rushed for 1,883 yards and 20 TDs in 2003.

## NFL training camp capsules

### Dallas (10-6)

Dallias (LV-V)
OPEN CAMP: July 30, Oxnard, Calif.
LAST YEAR: Bill Parcells had an immediate impact. The Cowboys went 5-1, won 10 games and made the playoffs for the first time in four seasons despite a suspect of tense. Dallas again had the NFL's top de-



year. IMPORTANT LOSSES: RB Troy Hambrick, DF Ebenezer Ekuban, WR Joey Galloway, CB DE Ebenezer Ekuban, WR Joey Galloway, CB Mario Edwards: Determine starting QB. The 40-year-old Testaverde signed anticipating a chance to compete for the starting Job with his old coach, Oujncy Carter is the in-cumber starter and former pro baseball burge.

EXPECTATIONS: With Parcells less patient, demanding that his returning players be bet-ter disciplined and better conditioned, the Cowboys expect another playoff appear

## Seattle (10-6)

OPEN CAMP: Aug. 2, Cheney, Wash. LAST YEAR: First playoff appearance since 1999 was a dramatic wild-card OT loss at

III 2003.

MPORTANT ADDITIONS: DE Grant Wist
1, CB Bobby Taylor, rookie DT Marcus

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IMPORTANT LOSSES: CB Shawn Springs, SS Reggie Tongue, DT John Ran-CAMP NEEDS: Get

CAMP NEEDS: Get T Walter Jones to show up. The four-time Pro-Bowler, designate ed Seattle's Tran-chise player, is expected to miss camp for the third straight year as he seeks a EXPECTATIONS: Sky high. Seattle's 10 wins were the most in 17 years and confidence was bolstered by an 8-0 home record.

Minnesota (9-7) OPEN CAMP: July 30, Mankato, Minn. LAST YEAR: Started 6-0 and led weak NFC forth until regular season's final snap, when Arizona scored on a fourth-and-24 slay to keep the Vikings out of the playoffs.



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Es: LB Greg Blekert (
CAMP NEEDs: Must statum in the backgo 
corps, with second-yes 
stepping in for Blekert inthe middle and injury-prone Chris Claiborne lining up outside. 
there is little depth.

There is little depth.

EXPECTATIONS: With nearly every key starter returning, several holes filled through free agency and the draft and the motivation of last year's collapse against the Cardinals, the Vikings and coach Mike Tice will be a huge failure if they don't make the playoffs.

### Detroit (5-11)

OPEN CAMP: July 31, Allen Park, Mich.
LAST YEAR: Met low expectations with five victories, matching win total from previous two seasons, and set NFL record with 24th straight road loss.



EXPECTATIONS: OR loov Harrington, enter EXPECTATIONS: QB Joey Harrington, enter-ing his third season, has some talented skill players around him for the first time, but they're young. If Harrington can produce with his improved surrounding cast and De-troit's defensive line can generate a past rush, the Lions might finally be respectable.

## New Orleans (8-8)

OPEN CAMP: July 29, New Orleans.
LAST YEAR: Started 1-4 and missed playoffs for third straight year. The only difference was in the past two, the Saints started
strongly and finished poorly. The 2003 lowlight came in a wire joe Horn pulling out a
cell phone after a touchdown, an emblarrass-

or the league and team.

ORTANT ADDITIONS: DE Will Smith and John Pease, defensive line coach who was with Saints when they had their best defens

IPORTANT LOSSES: None. AMP NEEDS: To establish o



Orleans won a playoff game for the firs time, coach Jim Haslett has failed to get his team to the playoffs.

## Tampa Bay (7-9)

OPEN CAMP: July 30, Lake Buena Vista, Fla LASI TEAR: BECAME the second straight defending champion to miss the playoffs, fal-tering because of injuries, uncharacteristic breakdowns on defense and inconsistency on offense. Coach Jon Gruden shelved WR Johnson and also chased off Gen-iger Rich McKay, architect of the



WR In ש: DT Warren Si Inson, RB Tho S John Lynch, W. Johnson, RB Inomas Jones, LB Nate Webster.

CAMP NEEDS: Will Sapp and Lynch gone from a defense that's ranked among the NFL's best much of the past decade, the Busc sould be on the verge of becoming an offense-oriented team. With as many as four new starters on the offensive line, one of Gruden's biggest priorities will be trying to mold the newomers into a cohesive unit. EXPECTATIONS: Gruden and new GM Bruce Allen have retooled the team to make a run toward another Super Boyl now. A mere return to the playoffs won't be enough to satisfy fans whose expectations were heightened by the team's championship run

Chicago (7-9) OPEN CAMP: July 28, Bourbonnais, Ill. LAST YEAR: Finished 7-9, costing Dick Jau-on his job after four losing seasons in five



Tolladina (unit), of the distribution of the d odst offense under coordinator ferry sine and a more aggressive attacking defense hat Smith brings from St. Louis.

EXPECTATIONS: Jones gives the offense a reakaway threat and a pass catcher for

young QB Rex Grossman, who m Harris and second-round DE Tank Johnson give the defensive front a better and more mobile pass rush, while four-time Pro Bowl LB Brian Urlacher creates more turnovers.

## San Francisco (5-11)

LAST YEAR: A 1-7 mark on the road was a killer as the 49ers crashed under new coach Dennis Erickson following a playoff year, IMPORTANT ADDITIONS: G Justin Smiley, second-round pick, could be a starter; jour-neyman WR Curtis Conway to help augment depleted WR contin-



depleted WR contin-pent. IMPORTANT LOSS-ES: Four of the most important offensive players: WR Terrell Dwens, QB Jeff Gar-cia, G Ron Stone, RE BS Four of the most players. Wit Terrell blvers, of Se left Garden Stock, Mr. Tall Streets, It subtraction — Owens spert a large part of the year compaining acraic wasn't throw-

ing to him enough.

CAMP NEEDS: Find a QB. Tim Rattay was Garcia's heir apparent, but had groin sur-gery, opening up things for second-year

man Ken Dorsey, who fits the West Coast of fense although his arm strength is question-able. There could be additional problem if LB Julian Peterson, designated the franchise player, makes good on his threat to stay out of Camp.

camp. EXPECTATIONS: Not very high for a fran-tice that's been one of the NFL's elite for

### Washington (5-11)

OPEN CAMP: July 31, Ashburn, Va. LAST YEAR: Steve Spurrier lost control of s team and watched the season go down-ill, losing 10 of his last 12. He resigned three nill, losing Bu of Instance Laboratory and Adays after the finale.

IMPORTANT ADDITIONS: Hall of Fame coach Joe Gibbs, QB Mark Brunell, RB Clinton Portis, CB Shawn Jor. LB Marcus Washington, LB Mike Burlington, LB Mike Burling



rung Canidate. CAMP NEEDS: Players need to master Gibbs's chemes. The coach made his players work hard in the classroom in the spring, hoping it translates into instant comprehension once the pads are on. He's starting

own once the pads are on. He's starting camp as late as possible to cut down on wear and tear late in the season.

EXPECTATIONS: Way too high. Gibbs has seen welcomed back as the long overdue layor after 12 years away but you have to he way to be season. savior after 12 years away, but probably only a wild-card team if they do their best.

### Atlanta (5-11)

OPEN CAMP: July 28, Greenville, S.C. LAST YEAR: Losing OB Michael Vick to a broken leg in preseason led to a 2-10 record and the firing of coach Dan Reeves. Vick re-turned to orchestrate three wins in Decem-ber, but nothing could stop the slide of a de-

r, but nothing could stop the slide of a de-nse that allowed a franchise-worst 6,108 rds. Rich McKay left Tampa Bay to be-car manager in Week I. San Francisco de-fensive coordinator Im Mora was hired as Reeves' replace-Jim Mon. as Reeves ment in January, ment in January, ment in January, moonan, CF Jason Mostanan, CF Jason Mo

White. CB DeAngelo Hall, the No. 8 overall draft pick, is expected to start immediately. WR Michael Jenkins, the second first-round pick, also could start. IMPORTANT LOSSES: CBs Ray Buchanan and Tyrone Williams. OLB Kelth Newman was cut as For Bowler Kelth Brooking moved from the middle to the weak side. CAMP NEEDS: Backup OB, Rookie Matt Schaub lacks experience, and Ty Detmer hasn't attempted a pass since 2001. EXPECTATIONS: Vick must avoid injury in new West Coast offerse, and if he does, he should make Faicons an instant playoff con-tender, but defense also needs a turn-tender.

## New York Giants (4-12)

OPEN CAMP: July 30, Albany. N.Y. LAST YEAR: The combination of injuries, a dismal OL and mistakes turned a Super Bowl contender into a bad team. It also made Jim Fassel a former coach.



TIONS: Coach Tom Coughlin, QBs Kurt Warner and Eli Man-ning, C Shaun O'Hara, T Barry Stokes, LBs Carlos Emmons and Barrett Green, S Brent Alex-ander and DT Nor-

man Hand. IMPORTANT LOSSES: OB Kerry Collins, LBs INFORTANT LOSSES OB Kerry Collins, Libs blick Extromy, Dham, Jones, and Randou Ghen Berndou Grandou Gr

## Arizona (4-12)

OPEN CAMP: Aug. 1, Flagstaff, Ariz. LAST YEAR: Scored fewest points and allowed most in NFL Lost seven in a row before last-second shocker knocked Minnesota out of the playoffs in season finale. Dave McGinnis was fired after 3½ seasons as

head coach.

IMPORTANT ADDITIONS: WR Larry Fitzgerald (third overall pick), DE Bertrand Berry
(free agent), CB David Macklin (free agent),
DT Darnell Dockett (third round), QB Shaun



RG to LT.

Green moved RB Emmitt Smith back into starting lineup ahead of Marcel Shipp. Green will continue force-feeding his new system and new attitude. QB Josh McCown, firmly installed as starter, will have to show his skills and leadership to earn team's respect. EXPECTATIONS: The Cardinals hired Green to build a winner before the team moves nto new stadium in 2006.





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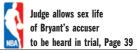
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## **SPORTS**



# NFL's summer camp set to kick off

July offers mix of holdouts, holdovers and newcomers

> BY DAVE GOLDBERG The Associated Press

NEW YORK — For seven months, Washington fans have anticipated the opening of Joe Gibbs' first training camp in 12 years as coach of the Redskins.

Too bad they won't get to see much of it.

The Redskins open training camp Saturday at their home training base in Ashburn, Va., one of 32 camps that start this week. Denver, Chicago, Carolina and St. Louis begin the process Tuesday.

But Washington fans, who have waited for this week since their Hall of Fame coach was rehired last January, may not get to see much. While most teams encourage their supporters to attend drills, the new/old coach probably is restricting fan access.

"I don't care if you're taking a

■ Training camp capsules for every team, Pages 42, 43



Hall of Fame coach Joe Gibbs is back with the Redskins, raising typically high expectations once again in the nation's capital.



New England enters training camp as the favorite to win its third championship in four years, which would match Dallas' run from 1992 to 1995. Patriots defensive lineman, from left, Richard Seymour, Ted Washington and Bobby Hamilton, will be joined by first-round draft pick Vince Wilfork from the University of Miami.

test or what you're doing," Gibbs says. "If there's things walking around, and people talking, good-looking girls walking up and down the sidelines and everything, then generally what people do is: "Id rather look over there than look out here.' So that's a problem, distractions are."

Despite the return of Gibbs and owner Daniel Snyder's annual signing flurry, Washington isn't the favorite in its division, the NEC East

That designation goes to Philadelphia, loser of three straight conference title games. The Eagles have added pass rusher Jevon Kearse and Terrell Owens, the standout wide receiver they desperately needed. Still, that guarantees little in this era of parity, especially with potential locker room problems after the departhe second and team leader
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the addition of
the tempestuous and moody
Owens.
The overall
Super Bowl favorite might



gland, which could equal the mark of the 1992-95 Dallas Cowboys with three titles in four

Despite a recent trend of teams coming from nowhere — from the St. Louis Rams in '99 to Carolina last season — the Patriots seem to be as solid as last year, when they won their second Super Bowl in three years by beating the Panthers 32-29 in the final seconds.

New England also could break Miami's 31-year-00 modern record of 18 straight victories. If the Patriots win their first three games, they'll go for No. 19 against the Dolphins in Foxboro, Mass., on Oct. 10.

The 63-year-old Gibbs, who won three Super Bowls and reached a fourth during his tour in Washington from 1981-92, is one of seven new coaches.

The "newcomers" include three other retreads — Tom Coughlin (formerly of Jacksonville) with the New York Giants, Norv Turner (Washington) in Oakland and Dennis Green (Minnesota) in Arizona.

Green and Lovie Smith, the former St. Louis defensive coordinator who took over the Chicago Bears, bring the number of black head coaches in the NFL to five,

the most ever. There was a lot of player move-

ment, too.

Owens, Kearse and Vincent are among the many Pro Bowl-caliber players who changed uniforms. The Giants signed 18 free agents after a 4-12 record in a season in which they were supposed to challenge for a title.

Big-time quarterbacks also have been shuffled, moves set off in part by the Giants' trade to select Eli Manning, brother of Peyton, the league's co-MVP with Indianapolis last season.

That led to the release for salary cap reasons of Kerry Collins, who quarterbacked the team in the 2001 Super Bowl.

Collins was replaced by Kurt Warner, the 1999 and 2001 league MVP and the MVP of the 2000 Super Bowl. He was released by St. Louis after two sea-

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Giants quarterback Eli Manning will break into the NFL under the intense media scrutiny that only New York can provide.

Arizona's losing streak grows to team-record 12; Bonds' 25th homer deals Cards a rare loss



A-Rod's clutch hit in ninth helps Yankees overcome Millar's

Yankees overcome Millar's three HRs as Boston's deficit increases to 9½ games Page 35



Armstrong's fifth win of Tour sets stage for another victory lap in Paris

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